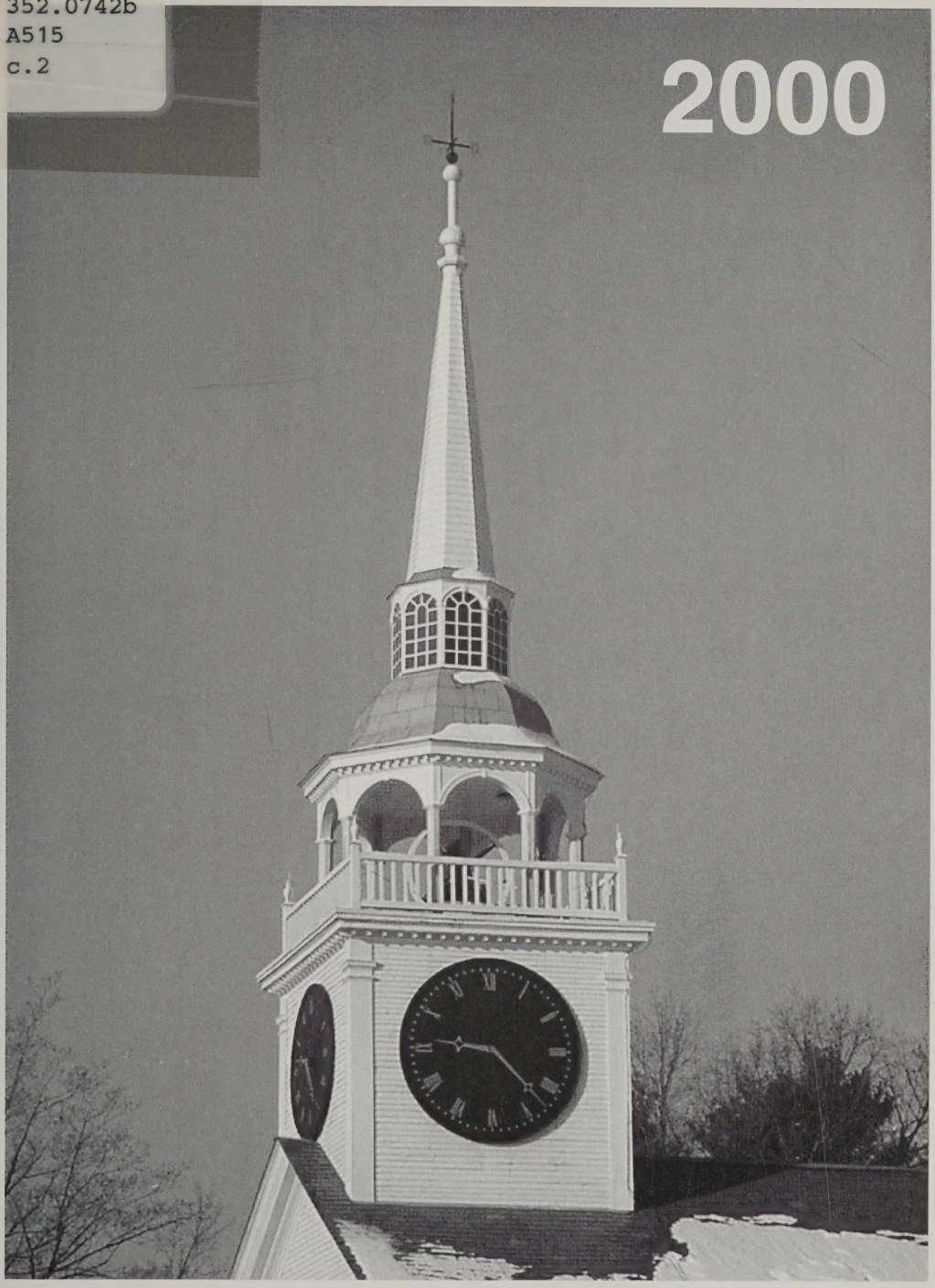
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of the

Town Officers

of

AMHERST, NEW HAMPSHIRE

For the Year Ending

December 31, 2000

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For the Fiscal Year Ending

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CHRISTOPHER KAISER	Term Expires 2001

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PAUL WENGER, Alternate	Term Expires 2002

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AMHERST
TOWN WARRANT

The State of New Hampshire
March 13, 2001

Polls will be open from 7:00 a.m. to 8:00 p.m. at Wilkins School

To the inhabitants of the Town of Amherst in the County of Hillsborough and State of New Hampshire, qualified to vote in Town affairs:

You are hereby notified that the Annual Meeting of the Town of Amherst will be held, in accordance with "Senate Bill 2" (NH RSA 40:13). The first session, to transact all business other than voting, is on Wednesday, February 7, 2001 at 7:15 p.m. at the Souhegan High School Auditorium. The second session, voting by official ballot at the polls is on Tuesday, March 13, 2001 at the Wilkins School from 7:00 a.m. to 8:00 p.m.

Article 1.
To choose all necessary Town Officers for the ensuing terms.

Article 2.
To see if the Town will vote to authorize the selectmen to enter into a long-term lease/purchase agreement in the Amount of Three Hundred and Sixty Thousand Dollars ($360,000) payable over a term of two (2) years at a rate of One Hundred and Eighty Thousand Dollars ($180,000) per year to purchase a new Fire Truck for the Fire Department and to appropriate and authorize the withdrawal from the Capital Reserve Fund established for this purpose (Fire Apparatus Capital Reserve) the sum of One Hundred and Eighty Thousand Dollars ($180,000) for the first year's payment, or take action relative thereto. **(The selectmen and the ways and means committee recommend this lease.)** (3/5-ballot vote required)

Article 3.
Shall the Town raise and appropriate as an operating budget, not including appropriations by special warrant articles and other appropriations voted separately, the amounts set forth on the budget posted with the warrant or as amended by vote of the first session, for the purposes set forth therein, totaling $6,512,844.00. Should this article be defeated, the operating budget shall be $6,125,449.00 which is the same as last year, with certain adjustments required by previous action of the Town or by law, the governing body may hold one special meeting, in accordance with RSA 40:13, X and XVI, to take up the issue of a revised operating budget only. This article does not include any other appropriation. **(The Selectmen unanimously recommend a yes vote.)**

Article 4.
To see if the Town will vote to approve the cost items included in the collective bargaining agreement reached between the Selectmen and the Teamster's Union which calls for the following increases in salaries and benefits:

Year	Estimated Increase	Year	Estimated Increase	Year	Estimated Increase
2002	$0,000	2003	$0,000	2004	$0,000

and further to raise and appropriate the sum of $0,000 for the current fiscal year, such sum representing the additional costs attributable to the increase in salaries and benefits over those of the appropriation at current staffing levels paid in the prior fiscal year, or take action relative thereto.

Article 5.
To see if the Town will vote to approve the cost items included in the collective bargaining agreement reached between the Selectmen and the American Federation of State, County & Municipal Employees Union which calls for the following increase in salaries and benefits:

Year	Estimated Increase
2002	$27,823.00

and further to raise and appropriate the sum of $27,823 for the current fiscal year, such sum representing the additional costs attributable to the increase in salaries and benefits over those of the appropriation at current staffing levels paid in the prior fiscal year, or take action relative thereto. **(The Selectmen unanimously recommend a yes vote.)**

Article 6.
To see if the Town will vote to appropriate and authorize the withdrawal from the Capital Reserve Fund established for this purpose (Ambulance Fund) the sum of One Hundred Eighty Thousand Dollars ($180,000) for the purpose of purchasing two fully equipped Type III Emergency Response Ambulances, or take action relative thereto. **(The Selectmen unanimously recommend a yes vote.)**

Article 7:
To see if the Town will vote to discontinue the Highway Department Capital Reserve Grader Fund created in 1950. Said funds, with accumulated interest to date of withdrawal, are to be transferred to the Town's previously established Highway Vehicle Capital Reserve Fund. (Majority Vote Required) **(The Selectmen unanimously recommend a yes vote.)**

Article 8:
To see if the Town will vote to authorize the withdrawal from the Capital Reserve Fund established for this purpose (Highway Vehicles) the sum of Ninety

Thousands Dollars ($90,000) for the purpose of purchasing a front-end loader and take action relative thereto. **(The Selectmen unanimously recommend a yes vote.)**

Article 9.
To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Forty Thousand Dollars ($40,000) for the Town's one-third share of installing turning lanes on Route 101 at Walnut Hill, Saddle Hill and Old Manchester/Pine Roads or take action relative thereto. **(By a vote of 3-1-1 the Selectmen recommend a yes vote.)**

Article 10.
To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of $3,000 to support Southern NH HIV Taskforce or take action relative thereto. **(The Selectmen unanimously recommend a yes vote.)**

Article 11.
To see if the Town will vote to authorize the selectmen to convey to the Amherst Land Trust (or a similar non-profit entity), (hereafter "Grantee"), all of the Town's interest in and to the Bragdon Farm, consisting of Map 8, Lots 54-1 and 56, on the Town of Amherst Tax Maps, for the consideration of One ($1.00) and 00/100 Dollars, with the understanding that the said Grantee, will reconvey the said premises back to the Town of Amherst, forthwith, subject, however, to a perpetual restrictive covenant which will control the future use of the property so as to restrict any such development on said property in perpetuity, in the manner typically undertaken by the creation of a conservation easement on the same, or take action relative thereto. **(The Selectmen unanimously recommend a yes vote.)**

Article 12:
To see if the Town will vote to deposit the remaining revenues that currently go into the general fund, (50 percent of which currently goes to the Conservation Commission for Land Purchases, 50 percent currently goes to the general fund) collected pursuant to RSA 79-A (Land Use Change Tax) in the Land Use Change Tax Fund in accordance with RSA 79-A:25-a for the purposes of conservation land purchases, recreation land purchases, significant building renovations or building purchases. The money received from the Land Use Change Tax shall be allowed to accumulate from year to year, and the surplus remaining in the Land Use Change Tax Fund shall not be deemed part of the general fund and shall only be expended or transferred by a vote by the legislative body at an annual meeting or take action relative thereto. **(By a vote of 3-2 the Selectmen recommend a yes vote.)**

Article 13.
To see if the Town will vote to create a recreation revolving account in accordance with RSA 35-B:2 II, and to name the Recreation Director as agent of said fund. In accordance with RSA 35-B 2:II, with the creation of this recreation fund, the money received from fees and charges shall be allowed to accumulate from year to year, and shall not be considered part of the political subdivision's general surplus. The Treasurer of the Town of Amherst shall have custody of all monies in the fund, and shall pay out the same only upon order of the Recreation Director. These funds may be expended only for the purposes stated in RSA 35-B and no expenditure shall be made in such a way as to require the expenditure of, or create liability upon, other Town funds, which have not been appropriated for that purpose. After creation of such recreation fund the monies in such funds shall not need further town meeting approval to be expended. **(The Selectmen unanimously recommend a yes vote.)**

Article 14.
To see whether the Town will vote to adopt the provisions of RSA 31:95-c to restrict all of the revenue received from fees and other charges related to the Peabody Mill Environmental Center, to be expended only for purposes of the operation and maintenance of the Peabody Mill and any program or activity which is undertaken at that Center. Such revenues and expenditures shall be accounted for in a special revenue fund to be known as the Peabody Mill Environmental Center Revolving Fund, separate from the general fund. The money received from fees and charges shall be allowed to accumulate from year to year, and shall not be considered part of the political subdivision's general surplus. The Treasurer of the Town of Amherst shall have custody of all monies in the fund, and shall pay out the same only upon order of the Conservation Commission, pursuant to the authority set forth in RSA 35-B:2, the Conservation Commission of the Town of Amherst, pursuant to the authorization of a majority of said commission acting at a properly noticed public meeting, shall be the agent authorized to approve the expenditure of said monies from such fund in accordance with the purposed outlined above. **(The Selectmen unanimously recommend a yes vote.)**

Article 15. (By Petition)
To see if the Town will vote to elect, by ballot, a Town Highway Agent for a term of two (2) years under New Hampshire RSA Chapter 231:62-a, to discharge duties under New Hampshire RSA Chapter 231:62, and 231:63, said election for Town Highway Agent first to occur at the annual Town Meeting in the year 2002. **(By a vote of 0-5 the Selectmen recommend a no vote.)**

PROPOSED ZONING CHANGES

Article 16.
To see if the Town will vote, as proposed by the Planning Board to amend Article III, Section 3-16, Sub-Section 3, paragraph 3.3 **DELETE** " such as the area delineated in Section 7.1 (f)" and **INSERT** " The AGL shall be calculated on the trees within a radius of fifty (50) feet from the proposed Tower, (trees to be removed at tower site cannot be used in calculations.)

Article 17.
To see if the Town will vote, as proposed by the Planning Board to amend Article III, Section, 3-16, Sub-Section 3, paragraph 3.4 **INSERT**: All paint shall be flat paint to avoid any reflection.

Article 18.
To see if the Town will vote, as proposed by the Planning Board to amend Article III, Section 3-16, Sub-Section 3, paragraph 3.10 **INSERT**: Fall zones may overlap.

Article 19.
To see if the Town will vote, as proposed by the Planning Board to amend Article III, Section 3-16, Sub-Section 6, paragraph F, **INSERT**: Multiple Fall Zones may also overlap.

Article 20.
To see if the Town will vote, as proposed by the Planning Board to amend Article III, Section 3-16, Sub-Section 7 paragraph F - **DELETE** " security barrier, or designed clear area for access to equipment, whichever is greatest,"

Article 21.
To see if the Town will vote, as proposed by the Planning Board to amend Article IX, Section 9-1 – **DELETE** " Housing for "Empty Nester" and **INSERT** " Bedroom Count".

Article 22.
To see if the Town will vote, as proposed by the Planning Board to amend Article IV, Section 4-9, paragraph D.6, **INSERT:** A minimum of thirty (30%) percent of the area of any lot shall remain landscape open space and not be utilized for construction. 3-4-75 (including parking).

Article 23.
To see if the Town will vote, as proposed by the Planning Board to amend Article IX, Section 9-1, Non-Conforming Use, **INSERT**: " Open Space - As stated in Article IV, the Commercial, Limited Commercial and Industrial Zone shall not be utilized for construction, storage or parking/drives."

Article 24.
To see if the Town will vote, as proposed by the Planning Board, a comprehensive and general redrafting of Historic District Ordinance to bring the same consistent with changes in the Statutes and Enabling Laws. The full text of the Ordinance, with the proposed amendments shown, can be viewed and copies obtained at the office of the Town Clerk, the same having been posted at the library and the Zoning Office.

Article 25.
To see if the Town will vote, as proposed by the Planning Board, a comprehensive redrafting of the Wetland Conservation District Ordinance as a result of the "Amherst Wetland Assessment ..." project report dated January 2000. The full text of the Ordinance, with the proposed amendments shown, can be viewed and copies obtained at the office of the Town Clerk, the same having been posed at the Library and the Zoning Office.

Article 26.
To see if the Town will vote, as proposed by the Planning Board to amend Article V, Section 5-9, Special Exceptions ADD paragraph 3 – "Kennels" as an allowed use in the Limited Commercial Zone.

Article 27.
To see if the Town will vote, as proposed by the Planning Board to amend Article V, Section 5-4, ADD paragraph 3.b.1. If off site drinking water is available and on-site soils are classified by the NHDES as Group I or II then the tract density in units shall be limited to a maximum of six (6) bedrooms per acre and the minimum tract size shall be reduced to seven and one-half (7.5) acres. Paragraph 3.b.2.: Ancillary facilities such as community meeting rooms, site management offices, and rooms for limited healthcare services are allowed.

Given under our hands and seal this 15th day of January 2001

Steven Desmarais
Robert Heaton
Maryelizabeth Crocker
William Overholt
Marilyn Peterman

A true copy of warrant - ATTEST

Steven Desmarais
Robert Heaton
Maryelizabeth Crocker
William Overholt
Marilyn Peterman

AMENDMENTS TO THE WARRANT ARTICLES
AS VOTED ON AT THE DELIBERATIVE SESSION
FEBRUARY 7, 2001

Article 2.
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Shall the Town raise and appropriate as an operating budget, not including appropriations by special warrant articles and other appropriations voted separately, the amounts set forth on the budget posted with the warrant or as amended by vote of the first session, for the purposes set forth therein, totaling ~~$6,512,844.00~~ ***$6,515,344.00***. Should this article be defeated, the operating budget shall be $6,125,449.00 which is the same as last year, with certain adjustments required by previous action of the Town or by law, the governing body may hold one special meeting, in accordance with RSA 40:13, X and XVI, to take up the issue of a revised operating budget only. This article does not include any other appropriation. **(The Selectmen unanimously recommend a yes vote.)**

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To see if the Town will vote to approve the cost items included in the collective bargaining agreement reached between the Selectmen and the Teamster's Union ***(Department of Public Works Union)*** which calls for the following increases in salaries and benefits:

Year	Estimated Increase	Year	Estimated Increase	Year	Estimated Increase
2002	***$22,116***	2003	***$23,000***	2004	***$24,000***

and further to raise and appropriate the sum of ~~$0,000~~ ***$22,116*** for the current fiscal year, such sum representing the additional costs attributable to the increase in salaries and benefits over those of the appropriation at current staffing levels paid in the prior fiscal year, or take action relative thereto. ***(The Selectmen unanimously recommend a yes vote.)***

Article 5.
To see if the Town will vote to approve the cost items included in the collective bargaining agreement reached between the Selectmen and the American Federation of State, County & Municipal Employees Union ***(Police Union)*** which calls for the following increase in salaries and benefits:

Year	Estimated Increase
2002	$27,823.00

and further to raise and appropriate the sum of $27,823 for the current fiscal year, such sum representing the additional costs attributable to the increase in salaries and benefits over those of the appropriation at current staffing levels paid in the prior fiscal year, or take action relative thereto. **(The Selectmen unanimously recommend a yes vote.)**

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Article 7:
To see if the Town will vote to discontinue the Highway Department Capital Reserve Grader Fund created in 1950. ~~Said funds, with accumulated interest to date of withdrawal, are to be transferred to the Town's previously established Highway Vehicle Capital Reserve Fund~~ and ***appropriate up to Twenty-Three Thousand Dollars ($23,000) said funds represent the balance of the Grader Fund with accumulated interest to date of withdrawal, and to transfer the balance to the Town's previously established Highway Vehicle Capital Reserve Fund.*** (Majority Vote Required) **(The Selectmen unanimously recommend a yes vote.)**

Article 9.
To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of ~~Forty Thousand Dollars ($40,000)~~ ***Twenty Seven Thousand Seven Hundred and Twenty Dollars ($27,720)*** for the Town's one-third share of installing turning lanes on Route 101 at Walnut Hill, Saddle Hill and Old Manchester/Pine Roads or take action relative thereto. **(By a vote of 3-1-1 the Selectmen recommend a yes vote.)**

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To see if the Town will vote to deposit the remaining revenues that currently go into the general fund, (50 percent of which currently goes to the Conservation

Commission for Land Purchases, 50 percent currently goes to the general fund) collected pursuant to RSA 79-A (Land Use Change Tax) in the Land Use Change Tax Fund in accordance with RSA 79-A:25-a for the purposes of conservation land purchases ***or*** recreation land purchases. ~~significant building renovations or building purchases.~~ The money received from the Land Use Change Tax shall be allowed to accumulate from year to year, and the surplus remaining in the Land Use Change Tax Fund shall not be deemed part of the general fund and shall only be expended or transferred by a vote by the legislative body at an annual meeting or take action relative thereto. **(By a vote of 3-2 the Selectmen recommend a yes vote.)**

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COMPARATIVE STATEMENT OF APPROPRIATIONS AND REVENUES

	Budget 1999-00	Added	Total Available	Expended	Approved 2000-01	Proposed 2001-02	Default 2001-02
General Government:							
Town Officers Salaries	100484		100484	101103	103556		103556
Town Office Expense	249237		249237	237083	262244	251374	262244
Elections	17050		17050	13627	16610	90228	16610
Legal	88000		88000	48433	68000	68000	68000
Insurance	624542		624542	451684	572792	123455	630401
Maps & Survey	1000		1000	940	3000	3000	3000
Assessing	96567		96567	96750	174147	338248	174147
Police Retirement	34817		34817	35121	38645	0	38645
Social Security	129334		129334	127613	134931	0	134931
Employee Retirement	43434		43434	35417	47026	81455	47026
Tree Care	700		700	193	700	0	700
Conservation	2700		2700	3078	4000	4000	4000
Contingency	50000		50000	18644	50000	50000	50000
Total	1437865	0	1437865	1169686	1475651	1009760	1533260
Public Safety:							
Police	902027		902027	858530	948120	1190105	948120
Fire	175498		175498	178973	174609	256249	174609
Police Special Duty	40000		40000	31102	40000	40000	40000
Animal Control	10652		10652	2365	10652	9927	10652
Emergency Management	4170		4170	5031	4230	3120	4230
Ambulance	134595		134595	101569	166883	241524	166883
Hydrant Rental	110800		110800	101384	110800	121880	110800
Lease Pay./Ladder Truck	23058		23058	20841	0	0	0
Total	1400800	0	1400800	1299795	1455294	1862805	1455294

	Current Budget	Added	Total Available	Expended	Approved 2000-01	Proposed 2001-02	Default 2001-02
Health & Welfare:							
Health Officer	1500		1500	1500	1545	1545	1545
Souhegan Nursing	9000		9000	0	10000	10000	10000
St. Joseph's Elderly	910		910	910	1105	975	1105
Souhegan Valley Res.	2000		2000	2000	3300	3300	3300
Community Council	4251		4251	4251	2607	3122	2607
Milford Counseling	3000		3000	3000	3500	3500	3500
Nashua Mediation	650		650	0	650	650	650
Nashua Rape & Assault	1200		1200	1200	1200	1200	1200
Neighborhood Health	2500		2500	2500	3000	3000	3000
Red Cross	750		750	750	750	750	750
Big Brother/Big Sister	1804		1804	1804	2235	2255	2235
Host Homes	3500		3500	0	3500	3500	3500
Keystone Hall	500		500	0	1000	0	1000
Town Welfare	12000		12000	3278	12000	12000	12000
Total	43565	0	43565	21193	46392	45797	46392
Dept. of Public Works:							
General Expense	177910		177910	178769	179816	216058	179816
Street Lights	25129		25129	24470	25875	25100	25875
Oiling	78677		78677	67740	79145		79145
Summer Maintenance	97881		97881	98701	103266		103266
Winter Maintenance	313913		313913	337954	351937		351937
Road Improvements	95800		95800	73472	95400		95400
Parks	20533		20533	20059	29086		29086
Highway Subsidy	221335		221335	208645	225089		225089
(Sub-Total Public Works)						1067531	
Town Buildings	132550		132550	258452	135763	163822	135763
Transfer Station	139884		139884	137906	124813	157939	124813
Total	1303612	0	1303612	1406168	1350190	1630450	1350190

COMPARATIVE STATEMENT OF APPROPRIATIONS AND REVENUES

	Current Budget	Added	Total Available	Expended	Approved 2000-01	Proposed 2001-02	Default 2001-02
Recreation & Culture:							
Recreation (Inc. Parks)	250361		250361	276141	285933		285933
Baboosic	41959		41959	37226	32285		32285
(Sub-Total Recreation)						415112	
Peabody Mill Center	15410		15410	20018	30070	32128	30070
Memorial Day	700		700	665	700		700
July 4th	3000		3000	2995	10000	8215	10000
Total	311430	0	311430	337045	358988	455455	358988
Debt Service:							
Payment on Debt-Land	27967		27967	28049	28322	0	28322
Payment on Debt-Bldg.	35000		35000	35000	35000	35000	35000
Interest on Debt-Land	2307		2307	2351	899	0	899
Interest on Debt-Bldg.	14766		14766	14766	12797	10828	12797
Total	80040	0	80040	80166	77018	45828	77018
Planning & Zoning:							
Regional Planning	12614		12614	12025	11770		11770
Planning	2950		2950	2972	3583		3583
Board of Adjustment	3200		3200	2067	4303		4303
Zoning	114207		114207	110276	117835		117835
Total	132971	0	132971	127340	137491	177084	137491
Capital Reserves:							
Rescue Vehicle	20000		20000	20000	20000	20000	20000
Highway Equipment	37000		37000	37000	37000	37000	37000
Highway Vehicle	25000		25000	80043	38959	25000	38959
Fire Truck	77000		77000	77000	100000	100000	100000
Grader	0		0	0	14950	14950	14950
Radio Conversion					32000	32000	32000
Total	159000	0	159000	214043	242909	228950	242909

	Current Budget	Added	Total Available	Expended	Approved 2000-01	Proposed 2001-02	Default 2001-02
Library:							
Wages	289701		289701	282136	322866		322866
Operating Expenses	102483		102483	105291	114517		114517
(Sub-Total Library)						550978	
Debt Service:							
Payment on Debt	45000		45000	45000	45000	45000	45000
Interest on Debt	25392		25392	25391	21836	18236	21836
Total	462576	0	462576	457818	504219	63236	504219
Transfers Out:							
Communications Center	132280		132280	134326	137653	154372	137653
Souhegan Landfill	349448		349448	347860	346270	369584	346270
Citibus						2500	
Total	481728	0	481728	482186	483923	526456	483923
Sub-Total	5813587	0	5813587	5595440	6132075	6515344	6189684
Total Prior Year	147860		147860	107059			
2000-01 Warrant Articles:					221,100		
2001-02 Warrant Articles							
Art. 4 DPW Union						22116	
Art. 5 Police Union						27823	
Art. 9 Turning Lanes						27720	
Art. 10 HIV Taskforce						3000	
Art. 11 Bragdon Farm						1	
Grand Total	**5961447**	**0**	**5961447**	**5702499**	**6353175**	**6596004**	**6189684**

Acct #	Budget	2000-01 Budget	2000-01 Budget Consolidated Subutotals	2001-02 Request With Pay Raises & Benefits	Benefits Breakout	2001-02 Request (Without Benefits)	Dollar Difference (Without Benefits)	Percent Change
4130	Town Officer Salaries	$ 18,540.00						
4130	Town Officer Expense	$ 192,478.00	$ 211,018.00	$ 251,374.00	$ 30,200.00	$ 221,174.00	$ 10,156.00	4.81%
4140	Town Clerk	$ 54,610.00						
4140	Election & Reg	$ 16,610.00	$ 71,220.00	$ 90,228.00	$ 15,842.00	$ 74,386.00	$ 3,166.00	4.45%
4150	Financial	$ 100,172.00						
4150	Assessing	$ 174,147.00	$ 274,319.00	$ 338,248.00	$ 75,541.00	$ 262,707.00	$ (11,612.00)	-4.23%
4151	Map & Surveys	$ 3,000.00	$ 3,000.00	$ 3,000.00		$ 3,000.00	$ -	0.00%
4153	Legal	$ 68,000.00	$ 68,000.00	$ 68,000.00		$ 68,000.00	$ -	0.00%
4155	Insurance-Employees	$ 513,792.00						
4155	Retirement	$ 220,602.00	$ 734,394.00	$ 81,455.00		$ 81,455.00		0.00%
4160	Contingency	$ 50,000.00	$ 50,000.00	$ 50,000.00		$ 50,000.00	$ -	0.00%
4191	Zoning	$ 117,835.00						
4191	Regional Planning	$ 11,770.00						
4191	Planning Board	$ 3,583.00						
4191	Board of Adjustment	$ 4,303.00	$ 137,491.00	$ 177,084.00	$ 32,128.00	$ 144,956.00	$ 7,465.00	5.43%
4194	Town Buildings	$ 135,763.00	$ 135,763.00	$ 163,822.00		$ 163,822.00	$ 28,059.00	20.67%
4195	Tree Care	$ 700.00	$ 700.00	$ -		$ -	$ (700.00)	-100.00%
4196	General Insurance	$ 59,000.00	$ 59,000.00	$ 42,000.00		$ 42,000.00	$ (17,000.00)	-28.81%
4210	Police Department	$ 948,120.00	$ 948,120.00	$ 1,190,105.00	$ 237,790.00	$ 952,315.00	$ 4,195.00	0.44%
4215	Ambulance	$ 166,883.00	$ 166,883.00	$ 241,524.00	$ 15,614.00	$ 225,910.00	$ 59,027.00	35.37%
4220	Fire Department	$ 174,609.00	$ 174,609.00	$ 256,249.00	$ 29,819.00	$ 226,430.00	$ 51,821.00	29.68%
4221	Police (Special Duty)	$ 40,000.00	$ 40,000.00	$ 40,000.00		$ 40,000.00	$ -	0.00%
4225	Hydrants (Rental)	$ 110,800.00	$ 110,800.00	$ 121,880.00		$ 121,880.00	$ 11,080.00	10.00%
4290	Emergency Mgt.	$ 4,230.00	$ 4,230.00	$ 3,120.00		$ 3,120.00	$ (1,110.00)	-26.24%
4299	Animal Control	$ 10,652.00	$ 10,652.00	$ 9,927.00	$ 564.00	$ 9,363.00	$ (1,289.00)	-12.10%
4311	Highway Admin	$ 179,713.00	$ 179,713.00	$ 216,058.00	$ 26,605.00	$ 189,453.00	$ 9,740.00	5.42%
4312	Summer Maint.	$ 103,266.00						
4312	Winter Maint.	$ 351,937.00						
4312	Road Improvement	$ 95,400.00						
4312	Highway and Streets	$ 79,145.00						
4319	Highway Subsidy	$ 225,089.00	$ 854,837.00	$ 1,067,531.00	$ 111,937.00	$ 955,594.00	$ 100,757.00	11.79%
4316	HSB Street Lighting	$ 25,875.00	$ 25,875.00	$ 25,100.00		$ 25,100.00	$ (775.00)	-3.00%
4324	Landfill	$ 124,813.00	$ 124,813.00	$ 157,939.00	$ 27,237.00	$ 130,702.00	$ 5,889.00	4.72%
4415	Health Officer	$ 1,545.00						
4419	Grant Agencies	$ 32,847.00	$ 34,392.00	$ 33,797.00		$ 33,797.00	$ (595.00)	-1.73%
4442	General Assistance	$ 12,000.00	$ 12,000.00	$ 12,000.00		$ 12,000.00	$ -	0.00%
4520	Recreation	$ 285,933.00						
4520	Parks	$ 29,086.00						
4520	Baboosic Lake	$ 32,285.00	$ 347,304.00	$ 415,112.00	$ 25,480.00	$ 389,632.00	$ 42,328.00	12.19%
4525	Peabody Mill	$ 30,070.00	$ 30,070.00	$ 32,128.00	$ 1,523.00	$ 30,605.00	$ 535.00	1.78%
4550	Library	$ 437,383.00	$ 437,383.00	$ 550,978.00	$ 80,268.00	$ 470,710.00	$ 33,327.00	7.62%
4583	Patriotic Purposes	$ 10,700.00	$ 10,700.00	$ 8,215.00		$ 8,215.00	$ (2,485.00)	-23.22%
4611	Conservation Commission	$ 4,000.00	$ 4,000.00	$ 4,000.00		$ 4,000.00	$ -	0.00%

4711	Debt Service	$ 143,854.00	$ 143,854.00	$ 109,064.00		$ 109,064.00	$ (34,790.00)	-24.18%
4915	Capital Reserve	$ 242,909.00	$ 242,909.00	$ 228,950.00		$ 228,950.00	$ (13,959.00)	-5.75%
	Subtotal	**$ 5,648,049.00**	**$ 5,648,049.00**	**$ 5,988,888.00**	**$ 710,548.00**	**$ 5,278,340.00**	**$ 283,230.00**	**5.01%**

	2000-01 Budget	2000-01 Budget Consolidated Subutotals	2001-02 Request With Pay Raises & Benefits	Dollar Difference	Percent Change
	$ 5,648,049.00	**$ 5,648,049.00**	**$ 5,988,888.00**	**$ 340,839.00**	**6.03%**

Payments to Other Govt.

		2000-01 Budget	2000-01 Budget	2001-02 Request	Dollar Difference	Percent Change
4939	MACC Base	$ 137,653.00	$ 137,653.00	$ 154,372.00	$ 16,719.00	12.15%
4939	CITIBUS	$ -	$ -	$ 2,500.00	$ 2,500.00	100.00%
4939	SRLD (Landfill)	$ 346,270.00	$ 346,270.00	$ 369,584.00	$ 23,314.00	6.73%
	Subtotal	**$ 483,923.00**	**$ 483,923.00**	**$ 526,456.00**	**$ 42,533.00**	**8.79%**

	2000-01 Budget	2000-01 Budget Consolidated Subutotals	2001-02 Request With Pay Raises & Benefits	Dollar Difference	Percent Change
Total FY 2002 Budget	**$ 6,131,972.00**	**$ 6,131,972.00**	**$ 6,515,344.00**	**$ 383,372.00**	**6.25%**

Note: Includes $32,000 warrant for Radio Conversion in CR
This was added to the 4915 Budget after approval in March 2000.

Represents amount in Subtotal
Represents Subtotal Amounts

CITIBUS $2,500 as a result of amendment at deliberative session.

Budget Highlights

		Percent of Total Budget
Total Difference 2001 & 2002 (without MACC BASE, Regional Landfill, & CITIBUS)	**$ 340,839.00**	**6.03%**
Total Pay Increases	**$ 66,043.00**	1.17%
Total Benefits Increase	**$ 57,609.00**	1.02%
Total Operational Increase	**$ 217,187.00**	3.85%

Overall Benefit Increase (Of all Benefits including the addition of Fire Inspector) 8.82%

Total Operational Increase $ 217,187.00

Summary of Significant Operational Increases

01-4130-502314	TOE Computer Increase	$	23,089.00
01-4130-502316	Town Report	$	2,000.00
01-4140-503342	Town Clerk Software Licence	$	3,232.00
01-4150-505342	Assessing TRIO Software	$	1,700.00
01-4191-570422	Zoning Vehicle Repairs	$	700.00
01-4210-520421	Police Vehicle Fuel	$	4,460.00
01-4215-526142	Ambulance Director	$	15,726.00
01-4215-526145	Ambulance Paramedic Stipends	$	43,746.00
01-4215-526390	Ambulance Billing Service Fee	$	13,000.00
01-4220-521144	Fire Inspector Wages	$	35,217.00
01-4194-513401	Town Buildings Electricity	$	8,143.00
01-4194-513681	Town Buildings DPW 2nd Bathroom	$	15,000.00
01-4312-540417	DPW - Outside Hire (Winter)	$	42,938.00
01-4520-561770	Rec - Bean Property	$	11,500.00
01-4550-610226	Library Books	$	1,740.00
Total Identified Operational Increases		**$**	**222,191.00**

COMPARATIVE STATEMENT - SOURCES OF REVENUE

	Budget 1999-00	Net Total Received	Over	Under	Budget 2000-01	Proposed 2001-02
Local Taxes						
Land Use Change Taxes	100000	75350		-24650	75000	0
Yield Taxes	5000	10709	5709		5000	10000
Payment in Lieu	5000	5000			5000	5000
Other Taxes (Elderly & Welfare)	0	40666	40666		0	0
Interest & Penalties	180000	112965		-67035	125000	97000
Licenses, Permits & Fees						
Motor Vehicle Permit Fees	1600000	1741341	141341		1741340	1774700
Building Permits	120000	99296		-20704	100000	99100
Other Licenses, Permits & Fees	52300	24803		-27497	25000	25000
From Federal Government	30000	21119		-8881	25000	0
From State						
Shared Revenues	61262	43395		-17867	61262	61262
Meals & Rooms Tax	193579	236847	43268		241232	241232
Highway Block Grant	221427	222307	880		228799	241436
State & Fed. Forest Land	21	30	9		30	30
Other (Including Railraod Tax)	1104	1625	521		1211	1211
Charges For Services						
Income From Departments	466600	152965		-313635	156000	325221
Other Charges - Recreation	0	148820	148820		149000	156515
Miscellaneous Revenues						
Sale of Municipal Property	10000	150		-9850	0	5000
Interest on Investments	191000	218816	27816		200000	220000
Other	0	113702	113702		94000	61689

COMPARATIVE STATEMENT - SOURCES OF REVENUE

	Budget 1999-00	Net Total Received	Over	Under	Budget 2000-01	Proposed 2001-02
Interfund Operating Transfers In						
Special Revenue Funds	0	0			0	0
Capital Projects Fund	0	0			0	0
Capital Reserve Fund	7600	0		-7600	0	0
						0
Other Financing Sources						
Proc.from LongTerm Bonds & Notes	0	0			0	0
Amounts Votes from "Surplus"	0	0			0	0
Total	**3244893**	**3269906**	**522732**	**-497719**	**3232874**	**3324396**

Actual Homeowner Cost for Propsosed Town 2002 Budget

Acct. #	Budget Department	Proposed 2002 Budget	% of Total 2002 Budget	Actual Dollars Per Year 150k Home	200k Home	250k Home	300k Home
4130	Town Officer Expense	$ 251,374.00	3.81%	$ 24.01	$ 32.01	$ 40.02	$ 48.02
4140	Town Clerk, Election & Reg	$ 90,228.00	1.37%	$ 8.62	$ 11.49	$ 14.36	$ 17.24
4150	Financial & Assessing	$ 338,248.00	5.13%	$ 32.31	$ 43.08	$ 53.84	$ 64.61
4151	Map & Surveys	$ 3,000.00	0.05%	$ 0.29	$ 0.38	$ 0.48	$ 0.57
4153	Legal	$ 68,000.00	1.03%	$ 6.49	$ 8.66	$ 10.82	$ 12.99
4155	WC, STD, LTD Insurance	$ 81,455.00	1.23%	$ 7.78	$ 10.37	$ 12.97	$ 15.56
4160	Contingency	$ 50,000.00	0.76%	$ 4.78	$ 6.37	$ 7.96	$ 9.55
4191	Zoning, Planning, BOA	$ 177,084.00	2.68%	$ 16.91	$ 22.55	$ 28.19	$ 33.83
4194	Town Buildings	$ 163,822.00	2.48%	$ 15.65	$ 20.86	$ 26.08	$ 31.29
4196	General Insurance	$ 42,000.00	0.64%	$ 4.01	$ 5.35	$ 6.69	$ 8.02
4210	Police Department	$ 1,190,105.00	18.04%	$ 113.67	$ 151.56	$ 189.45	$ 227.34
4215	Ambulance	$ 241,524.00	3.66%	$ 23.07	$ 30.76	$ 38.45	$ 46.14
4220	Fire Department	$ 256,249.00	3.88%	$ 24.47	$ 32.63	$ 40.79	$ 48.95
4221	Police (Special Duty)	$ 40,000.00	0.61%	$ 3.82	$ 5.09	$ 6.37	$ 7.64
4225	Hydrants (Rental)	$ 121,880.00	1.85%	$ 11.64	$ 15.52	$ 19.40	$ 23.28
4290	Emergency Mgt.	$ 3,120.00	0.05%	$ 0.30	$ 0.40	$ 0.50	$ 0.60
4299	Animal Control	$ 9,927.00	0.15%	$ 0.95	$ 1.26	$ 1.58	$ 1.90
4311	Highway Admin	$ 216,058.00	3.28%	$ 20.64	$ 27.51	$ 34.39	$ 41.27
4312	Public Works Department	$ 1,067,531.00	16.18%	$ 101.96	$ 135.95	$ 169.94	$ 203.92
4316	HSB Street Lighting	$ 25,100.00	0.38%	$ 2.40	$ 3.20	$ 4.00	$ 4.79
4324	Landfill	$ 157,939.00	2.39%	$ 15.09	$ 20.11	$ 25.14	$ 30.17
4415 & 4419	Grant Agencies & Health Officer	$ 33,797.00	0.51%	$ 3.23	$ 4.30	$ 5.38	$ 6.46
4442	General Assistance	$ 12,000.00	0.18%	$ 1.15	$ 1.53	$ 1.91	$ 2.29
4520	Recreation, Parks, Baboosic Lake	$ 415,112.00	6.29%	$ 39.65	$ 52.86	$ 66.08	$ 79.30
4525	Peabody Mill	$ 32,128.00	0.49%	$ 3.07	$ 4.09	$ 5.11	$ 6.14
4550	Library	$ 550,978.00	8.35%	$ 52.63	$ 70.17	$ 87.71	$ 105.25
4583	Patriotic Purposes	$ 8,215.00	0.12%	$ 0.78	$ 1.05	$ 1.31	$ 1.57
4611	Conservation Commission	$ 4,000.00	0.06%	$ 0.38	$ 0.51	$ 0.64	$ 0.76
4711	Debt Service	$ 109,064.00	1.65%	$ 10.42	$ 13.89	$ 17.36	$ 20.83
4915	Capital Reserve	$ 228,950.00	3.47%	$ 21.87	$ 29.16	$ 36.45	$ 43.74
4939	MACC Base	$ 154,372.00	2.34%	$ 14.74	$ 19.66	$ 24.57	$ 29.49
4939	CITIBUS	$ 2,500.00	0.04%	$ 0.24	$ 0.32	$ 0.40	$ 0.48
4939	SRLD (Landfill)	$ 369,584.00	5.60%	$ 35.30	$ 47.07	$ 58.83	$ 70.60
	Subtotal	**$ 6,515,344.00**	**98.78%**	$ 622.30	$ 829.73	$ 1,037.16	$ 1,244.59
Warrant Articles with Tax Impact							
Turning Lane (Walnut, Saddle Hill, Old Manchester/Pine)		$ 27,720.00	0.42%	$ 2.65	$ 3.53	$ 4.41	$ 5.30
DPW CBA		$ 22,116.13	0.34%	$ 2.11	$ 2.82	$ 3.52	$ 4.22
Police CBA		$ 27,823.00	0.42%	$ 2.66	$ 3.54	$ 4.43	$ 5.31
Southern NH HIV Taskforce		$ 3,000.00	0.05%	$ 0.29	$ 0.38	$ 0.48	$ 0.57
Bragdon Farm		$ 1.00	0.00%	$ 0.00	$ 0.00	$ 0.00	$ 0.00
	Subtotal	**$ 80,660.13**	**1.22%**	**$ 7.70**	**$ 10.27**	**$ 12.84**	**$ 15.41**
	Total Proposed Operating Expenses Plus Warrant Articles	**$ 6,596,004.13**	**100.00%**				
	Estimated Town Tax Rate for FY 2002	**$4.20**	**Total**	**$ 630.00**	**$ 840.00**	**$ 1,050.00**	**$ 1,260.00**

Actual Homeowner Cost for Propsosed Town 2002 Budget

Cost

Note 1: $2,500 was added for CITIBUS at the Deliberative Session
This raised the estimated tax rate to one cent to $4.20 due to rounding

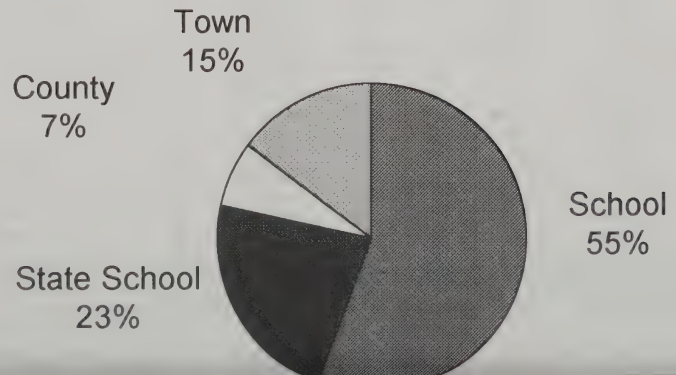
Note 2: Warrant Articles from Capital Reserve are not included in this analysis because the money has already been raised for that purpose.

Summary

This analysis is based on the 2000-01 Tax Rate of $27.78 per Thousand. The actual costs are taken from the proposed 2001-02 budget. Currently 78% of Amherst's Taxes go toward Education, 15% to the Town, and 7% to the County.

	Assessed Valuation	150,000 Home	200,000 Home	250,000 Home	300,000 Home
$27.78 Tax Rate	Total Taxes	$ 4,050.00	$ 5,400.00	$ 6,750.00	$ 8,100.00
$15.53	School	$ 2,329.50	$ 3,106.00	$ 3,882.50	$ 4,659.00
$6.41	State School	$ 961.50	$ 1,282.00	$ 1,602.50	$ 1,923.00
$1.92	County	$ 288.00	$ 384.00	$ 480.00	$ 576.00
$4.12	**Town**	**$ 618.00**	**$ 824.00**	**$ 1,030.00**	**$ 1,236.00**
	Total Cost for Proposed FY 2002 Budget	**$ 630.00**	**$ 840.00**	**$ 1,050.00**	**$ 1,260.00**

2000-2001 Taxes by Destination



SUMMARY INVENTORY OF VALUATION - MS1

	Acres	
LAND:		
Current Use	7572.12	1,246,000.00
Residential	8736.55	232,151,400.00
Commerical/Industrial	712.13	28,238,700.00
Non-Taxable ($9,679,800.00)		
BUILDINGS:		
Residential		471,647,100.00
Manufactured		1,743,800.00
Commercial/Industrial		48,368,500.00
Non-Taxable ($19,188,500.00)		
UTILITIES:		
Electric		10,973,300.00
Gas		1,274,800.00
Water		1,823,500.00
VALUATION BEFORE EXEMPTIONS:		797,467,100.00
EXEMPTIONS OFF ASSESSED VALUE:		
Elderly (74)		3,953,800.00
Blind (10)		300,000.00
Totally & Permanently Disabled (3)		383,500.00
Solar/Windpower (5)		25,500.00
NET VALUATION AFTER EXEMPTIONS:		792,804,300.00
NET VALUATION WITHOUT UTILITIES:		778,732,700.00
EXEMPTIONS OFF GROSS TAX:		70,227.00
Veterans (579)		

CURRENT USE REPORT

	Acres		
Farm Land	3168.57	No. of Owners Granted CU	367
Forest Land	2802.59	No. of Parcels in CU	568
Unproductive Land	507.15		
Wet Land	1093.81		
Rec. 20% Recreation Adj.	183.55		
Removed From CU	53.57		

REPORT OF APPROPRIATIONS ACTUALLY VOTED

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Acct. No.	PURPOSE OF APPROPRIATIONS (RSA 32:3,V)	Warr. Art. No.	Appropriations As Voted	For Use By Dept. of Revenue
	GENERAL GOVERNMENT		XXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXX
4130-4139	Executive		265,628	
4140-4149	Election, Reg. & Vital Statistics		16,610	
4150-4151	Financial Administration		100,172	
4152	Revaluation of Property		174,147	
4153	Legal Expense		68,000	
4155-4159	Personnel Administration		220,602	
4191-4193	Planning & Zoning		137,491	
4194	General Government Buildings		135,763	
4195	Cemeteries			
4196	Insurance		572,792	
4197	Advertising & Regional Assoc.			
4199	Other General Government		53,700	
	PUBLIC SAFETY		XXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXX
4210-4214	Police		948,120	
4215-4219	Ambulance		166,883	
4220-4229	Fire		174,609	
4240-4249	Building Insp./*Police Special Duty*		40,000	
4290-4298	Emergency Management		4,230	
4299	Other (Including Communications)		137,653	
	AIRPORT/AVIATION CENTER		XXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXX
4301-4309	Airport Operations			
	HIGHWAYS AND STREETS		XXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXX
4311	Administration		1,063,739	
4312	Highways and Streets			
4313	Bridges			
4316	Street Lighting		25,875	
4319	Other			
	SANITATION		XXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXX
4321	Administration		124,813	
4323	Solid Waste Collection			
4324	Solid Waste Disposal		346,270	
4325	Solid Waste Clean-Up			
4326-4329	Sewage Coll. & Disposal & Other			

Acct. No.	PURPOSE OF APPROPRIATIONS (RSA 32:3,V)	Warr. Art. No.	Appropriations As Voted	For Use By Dept. of Revenue
	WATER DISTRIBUTION & TREATMENT		XXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXX
4331	Administration - *Hydrant Rental*		110,800	
4332	Water Services			
4335-4339	Water Treat., Conservation & Other			
	ELECTRIC		XXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXX
4351-4359	Electrical Operations			
	HEALTH		XXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXX
4411	Administration		12,197	
4414	Pest Control			
4415-4419	Health Agencies, Hospitals & Other		32,847	
	WELFARE		XXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXX
4441-4442	Administration & Direct Assistance		12,000	
4444	Intergovernmental Welfare Payments			
4445-4449	Vendor Payments & Other			
	CULTURE & RECREATION		XXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXX
4520-4529	Parks & Recreation		348,288	
4550-4559	Library		437,383	
4583	Patriotic Purposes		10,700	
4589	Other Culture & Recreation			
	CONSERVATION		XXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXX
4611-4612	Administration & Purchases of Natural Resources		4,000	
4619	Other Conservation			
4631-4632	**REDEVELOPMENT & HOUSING**			
4651-4659	**ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT**			
	DEBT SERVICE		XXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXX
4711	Principal - Long Term Bonds & Notes		108,322	
4721	Interest - Long Term Bonds & Notes		35,532	
4723	Interest on Tax Anticipation Notes			
4790-4799	Other Debt Service			

REPORT OF APPROPRIATIONS ACTUALLY VOTED

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Acct. No.	PURPOSE OF APPROPRIATIONS (RSA 32:3,V)	Warr. Art. No.	Appropriations As Voted	For Use By Dept. of Revenue
	CAPITAL OUTLAY		XXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXX
4901	Land	7	10,000	
4902	Machinery, Vehicles & Equipment	8	32,000	
4903	Buildings	3	200,000	
4909	Improvements Other Than Buildings	6	11,100	
	OPERATING TRANSFERS OUT		XXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXX
4912	To Special Revenue Fund			
4913	To Capital Projects Fund			
4914	To Enterprise Fund			
	Sewer -			
	Water -			
	Electric -			
	Airport -			
4915	To Capital Reserve Fund		210,909	
4916	To Exp. Trust Fund (except #4917)			
4917	To Health Maintenance Trust Fund			
4918	To Nonexpendable Trust Funds			
4919	To Agency Funds *Deficit Appropriation*			
	TOTAL VOTED APPROPRIATIONS		**6,353,175**	

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REVISED 1999
DUE SEPTEMBER 1

TOWN OF AMHERST FY: 2001

REVISED ESTIMATED REVENUES (RSA 21-J:34)

Acct. No.	SOURCE OF REVENUE	Warr. Art. No.	For Use By Municipality	Reserved For Use by DRA
	TAXES		xxxxxxxxx	xxxxxxxxx
3120	Land Use Change Taxes		75,000	
3180	Resident Taxes		0	
3185	Timber Tax		5,000	
3186	Payment in Lieu of Taxes		5,000	
3189	Other Taxes			
3190	Interest & Penalties on Delinquent Taxes		125,000	
	Inventory Penalties			
3187	Excavation Tax ($.02 cents per cu yd)			
3188	Excavation Activity Tax			
	LICENSES, PERMITS & FEES		xxxxxxxxx	xxxxxxxxx
3210	Business Licenses & Permits			
3220	Motor Vehicle Permit Fees		1,741,340	
3230	Building Permits		100,000	
3290	Other Licenses,Permits & Fees		25,000	
3311-3319	**FROM FEDERAL GOVERNMENT**		25,000	
	FROM STATE		xxxxxxxxx	xxxxxxxxx
3351	Shared Revenues		61,262	
3352	Meals & Rooms Tax Distribution		241,232	
3353	Highway Block Grant		228,799	
3354	Water Pollution Grant		0	
3355	Housing & Community Dev.		0	
3356	State & Fed. Forest Land Reimbursement		30	
3357	Flood Control Reimbursement			
3359	Other (Inc. Railroad Tax)		1,211	
3379	**FROM OTHER GOVERNMENTS**			
	CHARGES FOR SERVICES		xxxxxxxxx	xxxxxxxxx
3401-3406	Income from Departments		400,000	
3409	Other Charges			
	MISCELLANEOUS REVENUES		xxxxxxxxx	xxxxxxxxx
3501	Sale of Municipal Property			
3502	Interest on Investments		210,000	
3503-3509	Other			

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REVISED ESTIMATED REVENUES (RSA 21-J:34)

Acct. No.	SOURCE OF REVENUE	Warr. Art. No.	For Use By Municipality	Reserved For Use by DRA
	INTERFUND OPERATING TRANSFERS IN		xxxxxxxxx	xxxxxxxxx
3912	From Special Revenue Funds			
3913	From Capital Projects Funds			
3914	From Enterprise Funds			
	Sewer - (Offset)			
	Water - (Offset)			
	Electric - (Offset)			
	Airport - (Offset)			
3915	From Capital Reserve Funds			
3916	From Trust & Agency Funds			
	OTHER FINANCING SOURCES		xxxxxxxxx	xxxxxxxxx
3934	Proc. From Long Term Bonds & Notes			
	SUBTOTAL OF REVENUES		3,238,874	
GENERAL FUND BALANCE		**For Municipal Use**		
Unreserved Fund Balance		$0.00	xxxxxxxxx	xxxxxxxxx
Voted From Fund Balance "Surplus"		$0.00		
Unreserved Fund Balance - Retained		$0.00	xxxxxxxxx	xxxxxxxxx
Unreserved Fund Balance - Reduce Taxes		$0.00		
TOTAL REVENUES AND CREDITS			3,238,874	

REQUESTED OVERLAY (RSA 76:6) $ 100,000

Prepared by: Carl E. Weber, Town Administrator September 15, 2000

SUBMIT BY SEPTEMBER 1 TO THE ADDRESS ABOVE

TOWN OF AMHERST ANNUAL FINANCIAL REPORT - MS-5		
General Fund July 1, 1999 to June 30, 2000		
A. REVENUES - Modified Accrual	**Acct. No.**	**Amount**
1. Revenue from taxes		
Property taxes	3110	18,820,213
Land use change taxes	3120	173,770
Yield taxes	3185	8,834
Payments in lieu of taxes	3186	45,666
Interest and penalties on delinquent taxes	3190	112,931
Total		19,161,414
2. Revenue from licenses, permits and fees		
Motor vehicle permit fees	3220	1,741,340
Building permits	3230	99,296
Other licenses, permits and fees	3290	24,803
Total		1,865,439
3. Revenue from the State of New Hampshire		
Shared revenue block grant	3351	43,395
Meals and rooms distribution	3352	236,847
Highway block grant	3353	222,307
State and federal forest land reimbursement	3356	30
Other state grants and reimbursements: RR Tax Reimbursement	3359	1,104
Fee for School Tax Reimb.		41,354
Police Equipment		21,119
Total		566,156
4. Revenue from charges for services		
Income from departments	3401	301,784
Total		301,784
5. Revenue from miscellaneous sources		
Sale of municipal property	3501	11,868
Interest on investments	3502	218,816
Rents of property	3503	52,059
Fines and forfeits	3504	1,906
Insurance dividends and reimbursements	3506	897
Contributions and donations	3508	0
Other mischellaneous sources not otherwise classified	3509	3,999
Total		289,545
6. Interfund operating transfers in		
Transfers from capital reserve fund	3915	137,043
Total		137,043
7. TOTAL REVENUES FROM ALL SOURCES		22,321,381
8. TOTAL FUND EQUITY		-312,466
9. TOTAL OF LINES 7 AND 8		22,008,915

B. EXPENDITURES - Modified Accrual	Acct. No.	Total Expenditure
1. General government		
Executive	4130	241,112
Election, registration and vital statistics	4140	13,625
Financial administration	4150	99,065
Revaluation of property	4152	97,700
Legal expense	4153	48,432
Planning and zoning	4191	127,339
General government building	4194	258,452
Insurance not otherwise allocated	4196	451,683
Other general government	4199	216,987
Total		1,554,395
2. Public safety		
Police	4210	889,632
Ambulance	4215	101,569
Fire	4220	199,814
Emergency Management	4290	5,031
Communication Center	4299	134,326
Total		1,330,372
3. Highways and streets		
Administration	4311	178,768
Highway and streets	4312	786,510
Street lighting	4316	24,470
Total		989,748
4. Sanitation		
Solid waste collection	4323	137,906
Solid waste disposal	4324	347,860
Total		485,766
5. Water distribution and treatment		
Other water	4339	101,384
Total		101,384
6. Health		
Administration	4411	1,526
Health agencies and hospital	4415	19,915
Other health	4419	2,339
Total		23,780
7. Welfare		
Direct assistance	4442	3,278
Total		3,278
8. Culture and recreation		
Parks and recreation	4520	333,384
Patriotic purposes	4583	5,139
Other culture and recreation	4589	834
Total		339,357

B. EXPENDITURES - Modified Accrual (Continued)		
	Acct. No.	Total Expenditure
9. Conservation		
Administration	4611	3,078
Purchase of natural resources	4612	1,650
Other conservation	4619	300
Total		5,028
10. Debt service		
Principal long term bonds and notes	4711	108,048
Interest on long term bonds and notes	4721	42,508
Total		150,556
11. Capital outlay		
Land and improvements	4901	26,559
Machinery, vehicles and equipment	4902	214,043
Total		240,602
12. Interfund operating transfers out		
Transfers to capital reserve funds	4915	159,000
Transfers to trust and agency funds	4916	544,424
Total		703,424
13. Payments to other governments		
Taxes assessed for county	4931	1,455,295
Taxes assessed for school districts	4933	14,695,130
Total		16,150,425
TOTAL EXPENDITURES		22,078,115
TOTAL FUND EQUITY		71,878
TOTAL		22,149,993

GENERAL FUND BALANCE SHEET - MS-5					
A. ASSETS	**Acct. No.**	**Beginning of Yr.**	**End of Year**		
1. Current assets					
Cash and equivalents	1010	526,326	768,185		
Investments	1030	3,560,844	6,067,899		
Taxes receivable	1080	4,652,107	2,439,762		
Tax liens receivable	1110	248,378	127,588		
Accounts receivable	1150	16,256	7,408		
Due from other governments	1260	50,154	0		
Due from other funds	1310	79,533	43,227		
Other current assets	1400	364,173	372,048		
Tax deeded property (subject to resale)	1670		6,633		
Total Assets		9,497,771	9,832,750		
B. LIABILITIES AND FUND EQUITY					
1. Current liabilities					
Warrants and accounts payable	2020	0	0		
Due to other funds	2080	93,484	73,550		
Deferred revenue	2220	9,715,868	9,687,322		
Other payables	2270	885	0		
Total Liabilities		9,810,237	9,760,872		
2. Fund equity					
Reserve for encumbrances	2440	6,065	10,400		
Unreserved fund balance	2530	-318,531	61,478		
Total Fund Equity		-312,466	71,878		
TOTAL LIABILITIES & FUND EQUITY		9,497,771	9,832,750		
		Beginning of Year		**End of Year**	
A. FIXED ASSET GROUP OF ACCTS.		**Debit**	**Credit**	**Debit**	**Credit**
1. Land and improvements	1610	5,003,192		5,003,192	
2. Buildings	1620	2,013,097		2,013,097	
3. Machinery, vehicles and equipment	1640	3,285,287		3,285,287	
Total		10,301,576		10,301,576	
B. LONG TERM DEBT GROUP OF ACCOUNTS					
Amount to be provided for the retirement of long-term debt	1820	652,044		543,995	
Notes and bonds payable - long term	2310		652,044		543,99
Total		652,044	652,044	543,995	543,99

MS-5 Continued									
AMORTIZATION OF LONG TERM DEBT	Purpose	Annual Installment	Interest Rate	Date of inal Payme	Bonds o/s at Beginning of yr	Bonds issue this year	Bonds retire this year	Bonds o/s at end of year	
900,000	Library	45,000	8.0-8.125	Feb. 2006	315,000	0	45,000	270,000	
350,000	Building Add.	35,000	5.625	Aug. 2006	280,000	0	35,000	245,000	
235,000	Land Purchase	Variable	5.25	Jun. 2001	57,044	0	28,049	28,995	
TOTAL					652,044	0	108,049	543,995	
ANNUAL REQUIREMENTS TO AMORTIZE ALL GENERAL OBLIGATIONS									
Debt as of June 30, 2000									
For the ensuing five years			Year	Principal	Interest	Total			
			2001	109,374	35,532	144,906			
			2002	80,000	29,064	109,064			
			2003	80,000	23,473	103,473			
			2004	80,000	17,859	97,859			
			2005	80,000	12,234	92,234			
SUBTOAL				429,374	118,162	547,536			
Remaining periods of debt: 2006-2007				115,000	7,594	122,594			
TOTAL				544,374	125,756	670,130			

RECONCILATIONS - MS-5			Amount	
A. Reconcilation of School District Liability				
1. School district liability at beginning of year			0	
2. Add: School district assessment for current year			14,695,130	
3. Total Liability within current year			14,695,130	
4. Subtract: Payments made to school district			-14,695,130	
5. School district liability at end of year			0	
B. Reconciliation of Tax Anticipation Notes				
1. Short-term (TANS) debt at beginning of year			0	
2. Add: New issues during current year			0	
3. Subtract: Issues retired during current year			0	
4. Short-term (TANS) debt outstanding at end of year			0	
		Current Yr	**Prior Years**	**Total**
C. Allowance for Abatements				
1. Overlay/Allowance for Abatements			66,425	66,425
2. Subtract: Abatements made		-24,787	0	-24,787
3. Subtract: Discounts		0	0	0
4. Subtract: Refunds (cash abatements)		-64,252	0	-64,252
5. Est. Allowance for Abatements at End of Year		0	100,000	-100,000
6. Excess of estimate		-89,039	-33,575	-122,614
		1080 Taxe	**1110 Liens**	**Totals**
D. Taxes/Liens Receivable				
1. Uncollected, end of year		2,439,762	227,588	2,667,350
2. Subtract: "Overlay"			-100,000	-100,000
3. Receivable, end of year		2,439,762	127,588	2,567,350
				Special
SUMMARY OF REVENUES FOR ALL OTHER FUNDS				**Revenue**
A. Revenue and other financing sources				
1. Interest on investments				
2. Other miscellaneous sources				
Total Revenue and Other Sources				
SUMMARY OF EXPENDITURES FOR ALL OTHER FUNDS				
A. Expenditures (By Functions)				
1. Culture and recreation				
2. Conservation				
Total Expenditures				
	Acct. No.			
SUMMARY OF ALL OTHER FUNDS				
A. Assets - Current				
1. Cash and equivalents	1010			
2. Investments	1030			
3. Due from other funds	1310			
Total Assets				

Fund Equity/Capital				
1. Reserve for special purposes	2490			
Total Fund Equity				
Total Liabilities & Fund Equity				
SUPPLEMENTAL INFORMATION				
A. All Funds (Additional)	**Acct. No.**			**Total**
Revenue				
Parks and recreation	3409			
Expenditure				
Money paid directly to needy persons	4442			
not covered by Federal programs				
	Bonds o/s			**O/S at the**
	Beginning	**Bonds**	**Bonds**	**end of this**
	of F/Y	**Issued F/Y**	**Retired F/Y**	**F/Y**
B. Debt Outstanding, Issued & Retired				
All other debt				
C. Salaries and Wages				**Total**
Total salaries and wages paid to all employees				
D. Cash and Investments Held at End of FY				
All other funds except employee retirement funds				

Notes

THE MS-5 ANNUAL FINANCIAL REPORT

FOR THE TOWN OF AMHERST

IS A DRAFT VERSION

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OF THE 1999-2000 FISCAL YEAR AUDIT

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AT THE SELECTMEN'S OFFICE

PURPOSE OF APPROPRIATIONS (RSA 31:4)	Warr. Art. No.	1999-00 Appropriations Prior Year Approved by DRA	1999-00 Actual Expenditures Prior Year	2000-01 Appropriations Prior Year as Approved by DRA	2001-02 Appropriations	Appropriations Ensuing F/Y (Not Recommended)
GENERAL GOVERNMENT		XXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXX
4130-4139 Executive		252,831	241,113	265,628	325,689	
4140-4149 Election, Reg.& Vital Stats.		17,050	13,627	16,610	15,914	
4150-4151 Financial Administration		96,890	99,075	100,172	147,020	
4152 Revaluaton of Property		96,567	96,750	174,147	191,228	
4153 Legal Expense		88,000	48,433	68,000	68,000	
4155-4159 Personnel Administration		207,585	198,151	220,602	81,455	
4191-4193 Planning & Zoning		132,971	127,340	137,491	177,084	
4194 General Government Buildings		132,550	258,452	135,763	163,822	
4195 Cemeteries						
4196 Insurance		624,542	451,684	572,792	42,000	
4197 Advertising & Regional Assoc.						
4199 Other General Government		51,700	19,777	53,700	53,000	
PUBLIC SAFETY		XXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXX
4210-4214 Police		902,027	858,530	948,120	1,190,105	
4215-4219 Ambulance		134,595	101,569	166,883	241,524	
4220-4229 Fire		175,498	178,973	174,609	256,248	
4240-4249 Build.Insp./Police Spec. Duty		40,000	31,102	40,000	40,000	
4290-4298 Emergency Management		4,170	5,031	4,230	3,120	
4299 Other Public Safety (Including Communications)		155,338	155,167	137,653	164,299	
HIGHWAYS AND STREETS		XXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXX
4311-4312 Administration & Highways & Streets		1,006,049	985,340	1,063,739	1,283,589	
4313 Bridges						
4316-4319 Street Lighting & Other		25,129	24,470	25,875	25,100	
SANITATION		XXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXX
4321-4323 Administration & Solid Waste Collection		139,884	137,906	124,813	157,939	
4324-4325 Solid Waste Disposal & Cleanup		349,448	347,860	346,270	369,584	
4326-4329 Sewage Collection & Disposal & Other						
WATER DISTRIBUTION & TREATMENT		XXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXX
4331-4332 Administration & Water Services/Hydrant Rental		110,800	101,384	110,800	121,880	
4335-4339 Water Treatment, Conservation & Other						

PURPOSE OF APPROPRIATIONS (RSA 31:4)	Warr. Art. No.	1999-00 Appropriations Prior Year Approved by DRA	1999-00 Actual Expenditures Prior Year	2000-01 Appropriations Prior Year as Approved by DRA	2001-02 Appropriations	Appropriations Ensuing F/Y (Not Recommended)
ELECTRIC		XXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXX
4351-4352 Administration & Generation						
4353 Purchase Costs						
4354 Electric Equipment Maintenance						
4355-4359 Other Electric Costs						
HEALTH		XXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXX
4411-4414 Admin. & Pest Control		12,152	3,865	12,197	1,545	
4415-4419 Health Agencies & Hospitals & Other		30,365	16,415	32,847	32,252	
WELFARE		XXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXX
4441-4442 Administration & Direct Assistance		12,000	3,278	12,000	12,000	
4444 Intergov.Welfare Payments						
4445-4449 Vendor Payments & Other						
CULTURE & RECREATION		XXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXX
4520-4529 Parks & Recreation		307,730	333,385	348,288	415,112	
4550-4559 Library		392,184	387,427	437,383	550,978	
4583 Patriotic Purposes		3,700	3,660	10,700	8,215	
4589 Other Culture & Recreation					32,128	
CONSERVATION		XXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXX
4611-4612 Administration & Purchases of Natural Resources		2,700	3,078	4,000	4,000	
4619 Other Conservation						
4631-2 REDEVELOPMENT & HOUSING						
4651-9 ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT						
DEBT SERVICE		XXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXX
4711 Princ. - Long Term Bonds & Notes		107,967	108,049	108,322	80,000	
4712 Int-Long Term Bonds & Notes		42,465	42,508	35,532	29,064	
4723 Interest on TANs						
4790-4799 Other Debt Service						
CAPITAL OUTLAY		XXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXX
4901 Land & Improvements						
4902 Machinery,Vehicles & Equipment						
4903 Buildings		75,000	19,915	0	0	
4909 Improvements Other Than Buildings		11,000	6,644	0	0	
4939 Payments to Other Governments					2,500	
(Citibus)						

PURPOSE OF APPROPRIATIONS (RSA 31:4)	Warr. Art. No.	1999-00 Appropriations Prior Year Approved by DRA	19989-00 Actual Expenditures Prior Year	2000-01 Appropriations Prior Year as Approved by DRA	2001-02 Appropriations	Appropriations Ensuing F/Y (Not Recommended)
OPERATING TRANSFERS OUT		XXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXX)
4912 To Special Revenue Fund		0				
4913 To Capital Projects Fund						
4914 To Enterprise Fund						
Sewer -						
Water -						
Electric -						
4915 To Capital Reserve Fund		159,000	214,043	210,909	228,950	
4916 To Expendable Trust Funds (except Health Maint. Trust Fund)						
4917 To Health Maintenance Trust Fund						
4918 To Nonexpendible Trust Funds						
4919 To Agency Funds/Deficit Approp.		61,860		0	0	
SUBTOTAL 1		5,961,447	5,624,001	6,100,075	6,515,344	

Please note: "Individual" warrant articles are not necessarily the same as "special warrant articles", which are addressed below

PURPOSE OF APPROPRIATIONS (RSA 31:4)	Warr. Art. No.	1999-00 Appropriations Prior Year Approved by DRA	1999-00 Actual Expenditures Prior Year	2000-01 Appropriations Prior Year as Approved by DRA	2001-02 Appropriations	Appropriations Ensuing F/Y (Not Recommended)
INDIVIDUAL WARRANT ARTICLES	7,15	75,000	19,915			
Steeple Repair	3			200,000		
Recreation Field Dev.	7			10,000		
Reconvey Bragdon Farm	11				1	
HIV Taskforce	10				3,000	
Fire Truck Lease	2				180,000	
Ambulances (2) Purchase	6				180,000	
Loader Purchase	9				90,000	
SUBTOTAL 2 Recommended		XXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXX	453,001	XXXXXXXX

Special warrant articles as definied in RSA 32:3

PURPOSE OF APPROPRIATIONS (RSA 31:4)	Warr. Art. No.	1999-00 Appropriations Prior Year Approved by DRA	1999-00 Actual Expenditures Prior Year	2000-01 Appropriations Prior Year as Approved by DRA	2001-02 Appropriations	Appropriations Ensuing F/Y (Not Recommended)
SPECIAL WARRANT ARTICLES	14	11,000	6,644			
Blueberry Hill Turning Lane	6			11,100		
CR-Radio Conversion	8			32,000		
DPW Union	4				22,116	
Police Union	5				27,823	
3 Turning Lanes	10				27,720	
SUBTOTAL 3 Recommended		XXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXX	77,659	

SOURCES OF REVENUE	Warr. Art. No.	1999-00 Estimated Revenue Prior Year	1999-00 Actual Revenue Prior Year	2000-01 Estimated Revenue Prior Year	ESTIMATED REVENUE For Ensuing Fiscal Year
TAXES		XXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXX
3120 Land Use Change Taxes		100,000	75,350	75,000	0
3180 Resident Taxes					
3185 Yield Taxes		5,000	10,709	5,000	10,000
3186 Payment in Lieu of Taxes		5,000	5,000	5,000	5,000
3189 Other Taxes (Elderly & Welfare Liens)			40,666	0	0
3190 Interest & Penalties on Delinquent Taxes		180,000	112,965	125,000	97,000
Inventory Penalties					
LICENSES, PERMITS & FEES		XXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXX
3210 Business Licenses & Permits					
3220 Motor Vehicle Permit Fees		1,600,000	1,741,341	1,741,340	1,774,700
3230 Building Permits		120,000	99,296	100,000	99,100
3290 Other Licenses, Permits & Fees		52,300	24,803	25,000	25,000
3311-3319 FROM FEDERAL GOVERNMENT		30,000	21,119	25,000	0
FROM STATE		XXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXX
3351 Shared Revenues		61,262	43,395	61,262	61,262
3352 Meals & Rooms Tax Distribution		193,579	236,847	241,232	241,232
3353 Highway Block Grant		221,427	222,307	228,799	241,436
3354 Water Pollution Grant					
3355 Housing & Community Development					
3356 State & Federal Forest Land Reimbursement		21	30	30	30
3357 Flood Control Reimbursement					
3359 Other (Including Railroad Tax)		1,104	1,625	1,211	1,211
3379 FROM OTHER GOVERNMENTS					
CHARGES FOR SERVICES		XXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXX
3401-3406 Income from Departments (PB)		466,600	152,965	156,000	325,221
3409 Other Charges - Recreation			148,820	149,000	156,515
MISCELLANEOUS REVENUES		XXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXX
3501 Sale of Municipal Property		10,000	150	0	5,000
3502 Interest on Investments		191,000	218,816	200,000	220,000
3503-3509 Other			113,702	94,000	61,689
INTERFUND OPERATING TRANSFERS IN		XXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXX
3912 Special Revenue Funds					0

SOURCES OF REVENUE	Warr. Art. No.	1999-00 Estimated Revenue Prior Year	1999-00 Actual Revenue Prior Year	2000-01 Estimated Revenue Prior Year	ESTIMATED REVENUE For Ensuing Fiscal Year
3913 Capital Projects Fund					
3914 Enterprise Fund					
Sewer - (Offset)					
Water - (Offset)					
Electric - (Offset)					
3915 Capital Reserve Fund		7,600	0	0	450,000
3916 Trust & Agency Funds					
OTHER FINANCING SOURCES		XXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXX
3934 Proc. from Long Term Bonds & Notes		0		0	
Amounts Voted from "Surplus"		XXXXXXXXX		XXXXXXXXX	
"Surplus" Used in Prior Year to Reduce Taxes		XXXXXXXXX		XXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXX
TOTAL REVENUES		3,244,893	3,269,906	3,232,874	3,774,396

BUDGET SUMMARY	
Subtotal 1 Recommended (From Page 3)	6,515,344
Subtotal 2 "Individual" warrant articles (From Page 3)	453,001
Subtotal 3 Special warrant articles as defined by law (From Page 3)	77,659
TOTAL Appropriations Recommended	7,046,004
Less: Amount of Estimated Revenues (Exclusive of Property Taxes) (From Above)	(3,774,396)
Amount of Taxes to be Raised	3,271,608

DEPARTMENT OF REVENUE ADMINISTRATION
2000 TAX RATE COMPUTATION

Town Portion

				Tax Rates
Appropriations	6,353,175.00			
Less: Revenues	(3,243,874.00)			
Less: Shared Revenues	(16,315.00)			
Add: Overlay	99,087.00			
War Service Credits	70,227.00			
Net Town Appropriation		3,262,300.00		
Special Adjustment		0.00		
Approved Town Tax Effort			3,262,300.00	
Municipal Tax Rate				**4.12**

School Portion

Net Local School Budget	13,135,732.00		
Regional School Apportionment	8,074,670.00		
Less: Adequate Education Grant	(4,061,916.00)		
State Education Taxes	(4,992,427.00)		
Approved School(s) Tax Effort		12,156,059.00	
Local Education Tax Rate			**15.33**

State Education Taxes

Equalized Valuation (No Utilities) x 756,428,402	6.60	4,992,427.00	
Divided by Local Assessed Valuation (No Utilities) 778,732,700			**6.41**
Excess State Education Taxes to be Remitted to State	0.00		

County Portion

Due to County	1,532,332.00		
Less: Shared Revenues	(9,213.00)		
Approved County Tax Effort		1,523,119.00	
County Tax Rate			**1.88**
Combined Tax Rate			**27.78**
Total Property Taxes Assessed		21,933,905.00	
Less: War Service Credits		(70,227.00)	
Add: Village District Commitment		0.00	
Total Property Tax Commitment		**21,863,678.00**	

Proof of Rate

Net Assessed Valuation		**Tax Rate**	**Assessment**
State Education Tax	778,732,700	6.41	4,992,427
All Other Taxes	792,804,300	21.37	16,941,478
			21,933,905

ANALYSIS OF VALUES ASSIGNED TO LOCAL & COOPERATIVE SCHOOL DISTRICT(S)

	Amherst	Souhegan		Total
Cost of Adequate Education	$5,857,690	$3,196,653		$9,054,343
% of Town's Cost of Adequate Education	64.6948%	35.3052%		100%
Adequate Education Grant	$2,627,849	$1,434,067	**	$4,061,916
District's Share - Retained State Tax*	$3,229,841	$1,762,586		$4,992,427
		"Excess State Taxes	***	0
		Total State Taxes		$4,992,427
Local Education Tax*	$7,278,042	$4,878,017		$12,156,059

**Pay These Amounts to Schools*

The cost of an adequate education is determined by the Department of Education based on weighted average daily membership in residence in each school district. Each school district's percentage of total is then calculated. Each percentage is then multiplied by the Town's share of the state education tax amount to allocate a portion of the state education tax amount to allocate a portion of the state education taxes to each school district.

The difference between the adequate education for each school district and each school district's share of the state education taxes becomes the adequate education grant for each school district.

** Paid Directly from State

*** Pay Directly to State

COMPARISON INVENTORY OF VALUATION FOR TAX COMPUTATION

	1997	1998	1999	2000
Net Land	226,312,100	255,179,100	258,292,900	261,636,100
Buildings	412,373,900	475,640,300	499,011,000	520,015,600
Utilities:				
Water	1,776,300	1,823,500	1,823,500	1,823,500
Gas	941,300	1,078,400	1,274,800	1,274,800
Electric	9,463,300	9,550,400	10,973,300	10,973,300
Telephone	-0-	-0-	-0-	-0-
Mobile Homes	1,435,200	1,559,300	1,723,900	1,743,800
Total Valuation Before Exemptions	**652,302,100**	**744,831,000**	**773,099,400**	**797,467,100**
Totally & Permanently Disabled	343,400	383,500	383,500	383,500
Elderly Exemptions	1,057,400	3,302,700	3,725,600	3,953,800
Blind	210,000	240,000	270,000	300,000
Solar	25,500	25,500	25,500	25,500
Total Valuation After Exemptions	**650,665,800**	**740,879,300**	**768,694,800**	**792,804,300**
Less Public Utilities			(14,071,600)	(14,071,600)
Net Valuation without Utilities on which Tax Rate for State Education Tax is Computer			**754,623,206**	**778,732,700**

Notes

SCHEDULE OF TOWN PROPERTY

Property	Address	Assessment
Town Hall & Cemetery	2 Main Street	298,900
Library & Land	14 Main Street	718,600
Highway Dept. Land & Bldg.	22 Dodge Road	128,100
Police/Rescue/Fire Land		91,800
Police/Rescue Bldg.	175 Amherst Street	189,900
Central Fire Station	177 Amherst Street	469,100
South Fire Station	62 Stearns Road	103,000
Baboosic Lake Beach & Bldg.	25 Broadway	187,200
Baboosic Lake Land	20 Broadway	46,400
Baboosic Dump	92 Broadway	41,000
Jones Lot	37 Old Nashua Road	54,000
Meadowview Cemetery	Foundry Street	127,900
Tool House		5,100
Howard Cemetery Addition	End of Sunset Road	78,700
Chestnut Hill Cemetery	107 Chestnut Hill	62,900
Cricket Corner Cemetery	Boston Post & Corduroy Rds.	3,100
Potters Field	Ponemah Road	24,000
Souhegan Regional Landfill	260 Route 101	264,500
Thibodeau Land	468 Boston Post Road	400
Kurtick Land	Merrimack Road	100
Cemetery Field	69 Merrimack Road	11,600 c.u.
Winslow Pit	Old Nashua Road	4,500
Bragdon Farm *	Route 101	18,900 c.u.
Bragdon Farm *	Route 101	5,600 c.u.
Bragdon Farm	Bedford	6,311 c.u.
Peabody Mill Center	66 Brook Road	110,500
Peabody Mill Center	65 Brook Road	11,900
20 Greenwood Drive		1,400
22 Greenwood Drive		1,900
38 Colonel Wilkins Road		1,300
Church Steeple	Church Street	50,000

*Managed by Recreation & Conservation

Town Parks	Address	Assessment
Village Tennis Courts & Land	5 Davis Lane	91,600
Village Fire Station Land	105 Boston Post Road	55,600
Sullivan Land	10 Oak Hill Drive	1,200
Courthouse Common	Courthouse Rd. & Middle St.	1,900
Pierce Common	Pierce Lane	2,100

SCHEDULE OF TOWN PROPERTY

Town Parks	Address	Assessment
Spalding Common	Amherst & Main Streets	86,600
Huntington Common	155 Amherst & Courthouse	3,000
School Street Park	Main & Middle Streets	79,300
Mack Hill Common	Mack Hill & Jones Roads	500
Carriage Road Common	Carriage Road & Main St.	5,700
Main Street Common	Main Street	90,000
Boston Post Village Common	Boston Post Rd. & Middle St.	2,800
Civil War Common	School & Middle Streets	19,600
Gault Land	34 West Street	6,000
Bowling Alley Land	16 Milford Road	100
Triangle at Broadway	36 Broadway	3,300

Tax Deeded Property	Acreage	Assessment
19 Broadway	0.14	6,600
1 Corduroy Road	1.00	40,400
35 Broadway	0.04	3,800
31 Greenwood Road	2.00	2,800
Route 101	0.70	100
4 Brookwood Drive	0.56	10,800
49 Baboosic Lake Road	2.88	47,900
32 West Street	0.19	14,700
Grater Road	13.51	202,300
Route 101 (Rear)	1.18	800
118 Christian Hill Road	6.00	60,400
27 Ravine Road	0.90	4,200
25 Ravine Road	0.90	4,200
69 Broadway	0.66	35,500
Route 101E	4.20	26,500
11 Old Nashua Road	5.50	198,000
24 Old Mont Vernon Road	17.91	5,700
6 Brimstone Hill	1.00	54,500
6 Nathaniel Drive	1.70	47,800
51 Baboosic Lake Road	2.00	39,700
2 Clark Avenue	0.94	45,100
Northfield Road	0.55	700
Northfield Road	0.23	300
33 Christian Hill Road	1.20	6,200
3 Norton Street	0.11	70,100

SCHEDULE OF TOWN PROPERTY

Tax Deeded Property	**Acreage**	**Assessment**
Boston Post Road	1.30	35,200

Tax Deeded Land Managed by Conservation	**Acreage**	**Assessment**
Boston Post & Corduroy Rds.	2.50	1,600
Chestnut Hill Road (Rear)	16.00	10,400
Lyndeborough Road (Rear)	5.40	1,800
1 & 3 Stearns Road	6.00	6,700
2 Fairway Drive	14.00	79,200
63 Old Manchester Road	17.50	75,200
17 Windsor Drive	0.77	40,100
19 Windsor Drive	0.70	39,900
21 Windsor Drive	0.80	40,200
Fairway Drive (Rear)	3.50	400
Lyndeborough Road	0.80	100

Conservation Land	**Acreage**	**Assessment**
Joe English Reservation Brook Road	373.00	476,800
Great Meadow 61 Boston Post Road	61.00	332,200
Ross Bird Sanctuary 35 Thornton Ferry I & Cobbler Ln.	21.00	1,900
Beaver Brook Park 7 Manchester Road	2.00	63,300
Caeser's Brook Reservation 15 Mont Vernon Road	40.00	88,100
Simeon Wilson-Near the River	10.00	131,600
B & M Railroad	18.00	1,800
Thornton Ferry II Road Rear	10.00	300
Thornton Ferry II Road Rear	2.50	1,200
46 Christian Hill Road	2.30	55,900
Baboosic Lake Road Rear	8.80	52,800
13 Middle Street	0.50	70,400
73 Broadway	2.30	40,800
7 Manhattan Park	2.00	79,000
55 Lyndeborough Road	10.00	8,000
Austin Road Rear	32.00	41,600

SCHEDULE OF TOWN PROPERTY

Conservation Land	Acreage	Assessment
Nathaniel Drive Rear	60.00	78,000
Fairway Drive Rear	8.00	400
Lyndeborough Road Rear	68.00	136,700
52 Lyndeborough Road	8.00	62,400
23 Holly Hill Drive	1.69	51,900
12 Holly Hill Drive	1.50	51,500
21 Greenbriar Lane	1.50	60,600
75 Boston Post Road	1.40	68,300
14 Austin Road	128.00	1400 c.u.
22 Old Mont Vernon Road	6.10	69,100
15 Old Coach Lane	0.80	48,300
3 Eaton Road	54.72	17,500 c.u.
2 & 4 Eaton Road	4.00	1,300 c.u.
36 Lyndeborough Road	2.24	52,300
Brook Road Rear	89.90	28,700 c.u.
62 Brook Road	30.10	9,600 c.u.
Pond Parish Road Rear	173.28	193,000
10 Green Road	17.38	4,900 c.u.
Horace Greeley Road	60.00	6,700 c.u.
5 Thornton Ferry II, 402 Boston Post	39.00	78,600
226 Route 101	70.00	8,600 c.u.
Mack Hill Road	7.50	800 c.u.
Horace Greeley Road	20.00	1000 c.u.
59 Brook Road	53.60	
Pinetop Road	11.00	
Brook Road	20.00	
Spring Road	5.09	600 c.u.
Sutton Court	67.84	21600 c.u.
153 Wilson Hill Road, Merrimack		

School Property	Address	Assessment
Brick School	1 School Street	292,000
Middle School	14 Cross Road	2,662,400
Souhegan High School	412 Boston Post Road	7,830,000
Clark School	14 Foundry Street	665,000
Wilkins School	80 Boston Post Road	2,481,000
Simeon Wilson Road Fields	Simeon Wilson Road	78,700

TAX COLLECTOR'S REPORT
JULY 1, 1999-JUNE 30, 2000

	2000	1999	1998
Uncollected Taxes			
Property Taxes		4,503,132.33	
Land Use Change		147,100.00	
Yield Taxes		1,875.01	
Taxes Committed			
Property Taxes	9,567,097.79	9,478,518.52	
Land Use Change	50,990.00	122,780.00	
Yield Taxes	0.00	8,833.95	
Overpayment			
Property Taxes	8,015.88	56,050.52	
Interest Collected on Delinquent Taxes	117.03	51,533.47	
TOTAL DEBTS	9,626,220.70	14,369,823.80	
Remitted to Treasurer			
Property Taxes	7,135,351.31	13,790,403.75	
Land Use Change	43,110.00	269,880.00	
Yield Taxes	0.00	10,708.96	
Interest	117.03	33,955.53	
Conversion to Lien		247,968.96	
Abatements Made			
Property Taxes		16,907.40	
Land Use Change	7,880.00		
Uncollected Taxes End of Fiscal Year			
Property Taxes	2,439,762.36	-0.80	
Land Use Change			
Yield Taxes			
TOTAL CREDITS	9,626,220.70	14,369,823.80	

SUMMARY OF TAX LIEN ACCOUNTS

	1999	1998	1997
Unredeemed Liens		192,422.33	126,323.86
Liens Executed	247,968.96		
Interests & Costs	1,903.71	20,293.74	33,973.58
Refunds	73.98		111.81
TOTAL DEBTS	249,946.65	212,716.07	160,409.25
Remittance			
Redemptions	90,765.52	126,444.08	119,595.69
Interests & Costs	1,903.71	18,883.87	37,890.76
Abatements			
Unredeemed Liens	157,277.42	67,388.12	2,922.80
TOTAL CREDITS	249,946.65	212,716.07	160,409.25

REPORT OF THE TOWN CLERK
FOR THE YEAR ENDING JUNE 30, 2000

Automobile Registrations	1,714,910.25
Titles	4,688.00
Municipal Agent Fees	26,150.00
Dog Licenses	13,603.50
Vital Records	3,877.00
Dog Fines	1,906.00
Uniform Commercial Code Filings	6,696.40
Filing Fees	21.00
Miscellaneous Income	288.62
Parking Tickets	2,420.00
TOTAL FEES COLLECTED	1,774,560.77

SUMMARY OF THE TOWN TREASURER'S REPORT
JULY 1, 1999 TO JUNE 30, 2000

General Fund		
Opening Balance		560,244.61
Revenue:		
Selectmen	1,296,702.95	
Tax Collector	21,770,683.04	
Town Clerk	1,774,375.27	
		24,841,761.26
Transfer In From Repurchase	16,002,442.05	
Manifests Paid	(20,574,741.11)	
Transfers to Repurchase	(20,070,799.46)	
		(24,623,098.52)
Ending Balance June 30, 2000		**773,907.35**
Repurchase Agreement:		
Beginning Balance July 1, 1999		3,560,844.23
Transfers in Checking		20,070,799.46
Transfers Out to Checking		(16,022,442.05)
Transfers Out to Payroll		(1,753,242.63)
Interest Income		211,940.18
Ending Balance, June 30, 2000		**6,067,899.19**
Conservation Gift Account		
Opening Balance July 1, 1999		27,803.79
Interest		648.86
Income		8166.76
Balance June 30, 2000		33,619.41
Conservation Land Account		
Opening Balance July 1, 1999		81,314.36
Interest		3,864.06
Income		158,534.49
Expended		-77,495.83
Balance June 30, 2000		166,217.08
Recreation/Baboosic Account		
Opening Balance July 1, 1999		879.38
Interest		43.39
Income		1,206.55
Balance June 30, 2000		2,129.32

Rescue/CPR	
Opening Balance July 1, 1999	1,378.01
Interest	60.66
Income	236.00
Balance June 30, 2000	1,674.67
Town Band Account	
Opening Balance July 1, 1999	1,015.42
Interest	89.21
Income	4,741.00
Expended	0.00
Balance June 30, 2000	5,845.63
Friel Family Golf Escrow	
Opening Balance July 1, 1999	2,636.14
Interest	38.61
Expended - Account Closed 4/5/00	-2,674.75
Balance June 30, 2000	0.00
Quinn Brothers Escrow	
Opening Balance July 1, 1999	854.56
Interest	14.38
Expended - Account Closed 4/5/00	-868.94
Balance June 30, 2000	0.00
DARE of Amherst	
Opening Balance July 1, 1999	2,150.23
Income	1,925.00
Interest	53.06
Expended	0.00
Balance June 30, 2000	4,128.29
Indian Pond Escrow	
Opening Balance July 1, 1999	8,655.30
Interest	0.00
Expended - Account Closed 7/1/99	8,655.30
Balance June 30, 2000	0.00
Snowbrook Construction, Inc. Escrow	
Opening Balance July 1, 1999	739.06
Interest	12.70
Expended - Account Closed 4/11/00	-751.76
Balance June 30, 2000	0.00

July 4th

Opening Balance July 1, 1999	3,971.70
Interest	128.48
Income	2,897.45
Balance June 30, 2000	6,997.63

Drug Forfeiture Account

Opening Balance July 1, 1999	1,587.36
Interest	36.39
Balance June 30, 2000	1,623.75

Monticello Drive Account

Opening Balance July 1, 1999	0.00
Account Opened 11/19/99	11,500.00
Interest	141.38
Balance June 30, 2000	11,641.38

U.S. Cellular

Opening Balance July 1, 1999	0.00
Account Opened 5/2/00	11,500.00
Interest	38.00
Balance June 30, 2000	11,538.00

TRUST FUNDS OF TOWN OF AMHERST ON JUNE 30, 2000
MS-9 REPORT FOR STATE OF NEW HAMPSHIRE - PRINCIPAL

Date of Creation	Name of Trust Fund	Purpose	How Invested	Balance Beg. of Year	New Funds Created	Gains or (Losses) Sal of Securities	Balance End of Year
	Common Trust Funds:						
1927	Emma L. Clark	Library	Com. Trust	2775.49	0.00	0.16	2775.65
1945	James Day	Library	Com. Trust	33204.73	0.00	1.94	33206.67
1923	Fannie Parsons French	Library	Com. Trust	5533.77	0.00	0.32	5534.09
1902	George W. George	Library	Com. Trust	2773.51	0.00	0.16	2773.67
1928	Edmund M. Parker	Library	Com. Trust	5533.77	0.00	0.32	5534.09
1957	Anna H. Boardman	Library	Com. Trust	9119.39	0.00	0.53	9119.92
1985	Jennifer Carlsmith	Library	Com. Trust	261.34	0.00	0.02	261.36
1985	Honora Spalding	Library	Com. Trust	1010.69	0.00	0.06	1010.75
1985	Laura & James Wanless	Library	Com. Trust	1395.56	0.00	0.08	1395.64
1988	Herbert Boutelle	Library	Com. Trust	1308.62	0.00	0.08	1308.70
1998	Library Land Expendable Trust	Library	Com. Trust	39945.67	0.00	2.34	39948.01
1942	David Fisk	Highway	Com. Trust	8301.55	0.00	0.49	8302.04
1867	Aaron Lawrence	School	Com. Trust	8301.55	0.00	0.49	8302.04
1867	Sarah L. Lawrence	School	Com. Trust	2773.50	0.00	0.16	2773.66
1894	Isaac Spalding	School	Com. Trust	49108.85	0.00	2.87	49111.72
1964	Bradford-Long-Miles-Sullivan Scholarship	School	Com. Trust	59560.19	809.57	3.53	60373.29
1976	Edward A. Conti Memorial Scholarship	School	Com. Trust	37877.77	0.00	2.21	37879.98
Var.	Josephine Hare Memorial	School	Com. Trust	1851.22	0.00	0.11	1851.33
1996	Richard W. Merrill Scholarship	School	Com. Trust	100368.12	18827.36	6.97	119202.45
1998	Dorothy Davis Scholarship Fund	School	Com. Trust	36708.65	100.00	2.15	36810.80
1932	George W. Putnam	Cemetery	Com. Trust	5533.77	0.00	0.32	5534.09
1938	Alice M. Wilkins	Cemetery	Com. Trust	11066.35	0.00	0.65	11067.00
Var.	Other	Cemetery	Com. Trust	29806.32	0.00	1.74	29808.06
Var.	Perpetual Care	Cemetery	Com. Trust	269075.28	430.00	15.77	269521.05
Var.	Steeple Expendable Trust Fund	Steeple	Com. Trust	9986.41	0.00	0.58	9986.99
	Sub-Total			**733182.07**	**20166.93**	**44.05**	**753393.05**
1987	Cemetery Lots	Maintenance	Money Mkt.	35584.94	3870.00	-44.69	39410.25
1993	Bertha Rogers Fund		Money Mkt.	227469.57	0.00	0.00	227469.57
	Total			**996236.58**	**24036.93**	**-0.64**	**1020272.87**

TRUST FUNDS OF TOWN OF AMHERST ON JUNE 30, 2000
MS-9 REPORT FOR STATE OF NEW HAMPSHIRE - INCOME

Date of Creation	Name of Trust Fund	Balance Beg. of Year	Income During Year Amount	Expenses During Year	Expended During Year	Balance End of Year
	Common Trust Funds:					
1927	Emma L. Clark	453.97	197.25	-13.70	0.00	637.52
1945	James Day	5431.00	2359.82	-163.87	0.00	7626.95
1923	Fannie Parsons French	905.12	393.28	-27.31	0.00	1271.09
1902	George W. George	453.64	197.11	-13.69	0.00	637.06
1928	Edmund M. Parker	905.12	393.28	-27.31	0.00	1271.09
1957	Anna H. Boardman	1491.58	648.10	-45.01	0.00	2094.67
1985	Jennifer Carlsmith	42.74	18.57	-1.29	0.00	60.02
1085	Honora Spalding	165.31	71.83	-4.99	0.00	232.15
1985	Laura & James Wanless	228.26	99.18	-6.89	0.00	320.55
1988	Herbert Boutelle	214.03	93.00	-6.46	0.00	300.57
1998	Library Land Expendable Trust	1820.93	2838.89	-197.14	0.00	4462.68
1942	David E. Fisk	4605.05	589.98	-40.97	0.00	5154.06
1867	Aaron Lawrence	4605.05	589.98	-40.97	0.00	5154.06
1867	Sarah L. Lawrence	126.44	197.11	-13.69	0.00	309.86
1894	Isaac Spaulding	27241.74	3490.11	-242.36	0.00	30489.49
1964	Bradford-Long-Miles-Sullivan Scholarship	7261.83	4290.41	-297.93	-3309.57	7944.74
1976	Edward A. Conti Memorial Scholarship	8686.77	2691.93	-186.93	-4000.00	7191.77
Var.	Josephine Hare Memorial	84.39	131.56	-9.14	0.00	206.81
1996	Richard W. Merrill Scholarship	18827.36	8471.08	-588.25	-22827.36	3882.83
1998	Dorothy Davis Scholarship Fund	1673.37	2615.95	-181.66	-500.00	3607.66
1932	George W. Putnam	8974.96	393.28	-27.31	0.00	9340.93
1938	Alice M. Wilkins	17785.20	786.47	-54.61	0.00	18517.06
Var.	Other	6966.20	2118.30	-147.10	-36318.70	-27381.30
Var.	Perpetual Care	70952.90	19312.99	-1330.02	0.00	88935.87
1998	Steeple Expendable Trust Fund	455.21	709.72	-49.28	0.00	1115.65
	Sub-Total	**190358.17**	**53699.18**	**-3717.88**	**-66955.63**	**173383.84**
1987	Cemetery Lots	18915.97	3238.09	0.00	0.00	22154.06
1993	Bertha Rogers Fund	45800.50	11464.27	-997.94	0.00	56266.83
	Total	**255074.64**	**68401.54**	**-4715.82**	**-66955.63**	**251804.73**

INVESTMENT OF COMMON FUNDS TOWN OF AMHERST JUNE 30, 2000
MS-10 REPORT FOR STATE OF NEW HAMPSHIRE

No. Shs	How Invested Description of Investment	Balance Beg. of Year	Purchases	Capital Gains	Proceeds From Sales	Gains/Losses From Sales	Balance End of Year	Income Received
Principal Investments:								
50000	US Treas Secur 0.000% 2/15/00	36395.00	0.00	0.00	36395.00	0.00	0.00	13605.00
76	Agilent Technologies Inc.		1627.89	0.00	18.75	12.77	1621.91	0.00
300	Albertsons Inc. Com	15411.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	15411.00	219.00
1200	Ameritech Corp.	36615.75	0.00	0.00	36615.75	0.00	0.00	762.00
1200	Automatic Data Processing	14698.50	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	14698.50	393.00
600	Bell Atlantic Corp.	18673.50	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	18673.50	924.00
2000	Bellsouth	13512.33	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	13512.33	1520.00
528	BP Amoco Plc Adr	10395.75	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	10395.75	633.60
800	Bristol Myers Squibb	13499.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	13499.00	736.00
400	CP&L Energy Inc.	11348.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	11348.00	812.00
936	Chase Manhattan Corp.	16086.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	16086.00	1067.04
200	Chevron Corp.	3170.66	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	3170.66	512.00
734	Conoco Inc. CL B		1748.94	0.00	14.41	13.74	1748.27	557.94
1000	Corning Inc.	44820.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	44820.00	720.00
98	Dominon Resources Inc. VA Com		4213.51	0.00	0.00	0.00	4213.51	126.42
400	Dominion Resources Inc. VA	17198.00	0.00	0.00	17199.51	1.51	0.00	516.00
351	Dupont (E.I.) Denemours & Co.	4214.32	0.00	0.00	1748.94	0.00	2465.38	491.40
400	Emerson Electric	12349.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	12349.00	559.00
400	Exxon Mobil Corp.	17399.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	17399.00	692.00
1000	Flowers Inds Inc Com	24220.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	24220.00	527.50
1000	Frontier Corp.	23945.00	0.00	0.00	23945.00	0.00	0.00	50.00
2400	General Electric Co.	5954.05	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	5954.05	1216.00
2050	Global Crossing Ltd.		23945.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	23945.00	0.00
500	H.J. Heinz Co. Com	25810.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	25810.00	722.50
200	Hewlett Packard Co.	7399.50	0.00	0.00	1627.89	0.00	5771.61	128.00
525	Ingersoll Rand Co.	14479.50	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	14479.50	357.00
1000	Intel	15468.75	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	15468.75	120.00
400	Johnson & Johnson	9674.50	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	9674.50	464.00
800	Lilly Eli & Co.	11566.82	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	11566.82	784.00

INVESTMENT OF COMMON FUNDS TOWN OF AMHERST JUNE 30, 2000
MS-10 REPORT FOR STATE OF NEW HAMPSHIRE - Continued

No. Shs	How Invested Description of Investment	Balance Beg. of Year	Purchases	Capital Gains	Proceeds From Sales	Gains/Losses From Sales	Balance End of Year	Income Received
Principal Investments:								
300	Masco Corp. Com	9223.50	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	9223.50	141.00
1000	McCormick & Co., Inc.	24500.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	24500.00	720.00
1200	Mellon Bank Corp.	10924.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	10924.00	984.00
200	Morgan J.P. & Co., Inc.	12024.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	12024.00	796.00
600	Motorola Inc.	11161.50	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	11161.50	96.00
1200	Procter & Gamble Co.	5408.20	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	5408.20	1536.00
2179	SBC Communications Inc.	14998.50	36615.75	0.00	10.13	5.03	51609.15	1376.55
800	Schering Plough Corp.	5462.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	5462.00	412.00
200	Schlumberger Ltd.	5674.50	0.00	0.00	596.28	0.00	5078.22	150.00
38	Transocean Sedco Forex Inc.		596.28	0.00	22.09	11.00	585.19	2.28
200	US West Inc.	5218.62	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	5218.62	471.00
	Federated Treasury Obligation	204283.33	69613.31	0.00	0.00	0.00	273896.64	12380.64
Total Principal Investments of Common Fund		**733182.08**	**138360.68**	**0.00**	**118193.75**	**44.05**	**753393.06**	**48280.87**
Cemetery Lots:								
13000	US Treas. Notes 6.25% 5/31/00	12995.94	0.00	0.00	13000.00	4.06	0.00	812.50
13000	US Treas. Notes 7.75% 12/31/99	13048.75	0.00	0.00	13000.00	-48.75	0.00	503.75
	Federated Treasury Obligation	9540.25	29870.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	39410.25	1921.84
Sub-Totals		**35584.94**	**29870.00**	**0.00**	**26000.00**	**-44.69**	**39410.25**	**3238.09**
Bertha Rogers Fund:								
14000	US Treas. Notes Strp 0% 2/15/01	8899.80	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	8899.80	0.00
40000	US Treas. Notes Strp 0% 2/15/02	25464.40	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	25464.40	0.00
40000	US Treas. Notes Strp 0% 2/15/04	22104.80	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	22104.80	0.00
	Federated Treasury Obligation	171000.57	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	171000.57	11464.27
Sub-Totals		**227469.57**	**0.00**	**0.00**	**0.00**	**0.00**	**227469.57**	**11464.27**
Total Principal Investments		**996236.59**	**168230.68**	**0.00**	**144193.75**	**-0.64**	**1020272.88**	**62983.23**

MS-10 REPORT FOR STATE OF NEW HAMPSHIRE - Continued

No. Shs	How Invested Description of Investment	Balance Beg. of Year	Purchases	Capital Gains	Proceeds From Sales	Gains/Losses From Sales	Balance End of Year	Income Received
Common Income Investments:								
50000	US Treas. Notes Strp 0% 11/15/02	16456.50	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	16456.50	0.00
50000	US Treas. Notes Strp 0% 2/15/03	16090.50	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	16090.50	0.00
35000	US Treas. Notes Strp 0% 11/15/04	9639.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	9639.00	0.00
400	Bell Atlantic	7444.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	7444.00	616.00
190	New Century Energies	4129.58	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	4129.58	440.80
400	SBC Communicatiaons	9999.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	9999.00	394.00
	Federated Treasury Obligation	106488.59	244.30	0.00	17378.17	0.00	89354.72	3807.97
Sub-Totals		**170247.17**	**244.30**	**0.00**	**17378.17**	**0.00**	**153113.30**	**5258.77**
Cemetery Maintenance Trust Fund:								
50000	US Treas. Notes Strp 0% 8/15/00	20111.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	20111.00	0.00
	Federated Treasury Obligation	0.00	159.54	0.00	0.00	0.00	159.54	159.54
Sub-Totals		**20111.00**	**159.54**	**0.00**	**0.00**	**0.00**	**20270.54**	**159.54**
Cemetery Lots:								
	Federated Treasury Obligation	18915.97	3238.09	0.00	0.00	0.00	22154.06	0.00
Sub-Totals		**18915.97**	**3238.09**	**0.00**	**0.00**	**0.00**	**22154.06**	**0.00**
Bertha Rogers:								
	Federated Treasury Obligation	45800.50	10466.33	0.00	0.00	0.00	56266.83	0.00
Sub-Totals		**45800.50**	**10466.33**	**0.00**	**0.00**	**0.00**	**56266.83**	**0.00**
Total Income Investments		**255074.64**	**14108.26**	**0.00**	**17378.17**	**0.00**	**251804.73**	**5418.31**
	Income-Capital Gains							0.00
Total of Funds (Principal and Income)		**1251311.23**	**182338.94**	**0.00**	**161571.92**	**-0.64**	**1272077.61**	**68401.54**

Name of Bank: Fleet Bank-NH
Fees Paid: $4715.82
Expenses Paid: $0.00
Were these fees & expenses paid for

CAPITAL RESERVE FUNDS
FROM JULY 1, 1999 THROUGH JUNE 30, 2000

Name of Fund	Beginning Balance	Funds Added	Income YTD	Funds Expended	Ending Balance
Highway Equipment Fund	57,904.30	37,000.00	3,985.76	0.00	98,890.06
Highway Vehicle Fund	56,335.36	25,000.00	3,415.90	0.00	84,751.26
Grader Fund	4,632.65	0.00	194.56	0.00	4,827.21
Rescue Squad Fund	17,171.90	0.00	1,561.13	0.00	18,733.03
Cemetery Fund	23,845.92	0.00	1,001.47	0.00	24,847.39
Zoning Vehicle Fund	1,920.79	0.00	80.67	0.00	2,001.46
Recreation Fund	1,450.48	0.00	60.92	0.00	1,511.40
Ambulance Fund	136,184.21	20,000.00	6,559.38	0.00	162,743.59
Salt Barn Fund	4,051.96	0.00	170.17	0.00	4,222.13
Fire Sprinkler Fund	7,522.96	0.00	315.95	0.00	7,838.91
Fire Apparatus	0.00	77,000.00	3,233.83	0.00	80,233.83
Totals	311,020.53	159,000.00	20,579.74	0.00	490,600.27

TREASURER'S COUPON & NOTE REGISTER
ANNUAL REPORT TO THE DEPARTMENT OF REVENUE ADMISTRATION
LIBRARY BOND

Period Ending	Coupon Rate	Principal	Interest	Total Debt Service	Date Paid
2/15/87	8.000	45000.00	45778.53	90778.53	2/13/87
8/15/87	8.000		34183.12	34183.12	8/13/87
2/15/88	8.000	45000.00	34183.12	79183.12	2/13/88
8/15/88	8.000		32383.12	32383.12	8/13/88
2/15/89	8.000	45000.00	32383.12	77383.12	2/13/89
8/15/89	8.000		30583.12	30583.12	8/13/89
2/15/90	8.000	45000.00	30583.12	75583.12	2/13/90
8/15/90	8.000		28783.12	28783.12	8/13/90
2/15/91	8.000	45000.00	28783.12	73783.12	2/13/91
8/15/91	8.000		26983.12	26983.12	8/13/91
2/15/92	8.000	45000.00	26983.12	71983.12	2/13/92
8/15/92	8.000		25183.12	25183.12	8/13/92
2/15/93	8.000	45000.00	25183.12	70183.12	2/13/93
8/15/93	8.000		23383.12	23383.12	8/13/93
2/15/94	8.000	45000.00	23383.12	68383.12	2/13/94
8/15/94	8.000		21583.12	21583.12	8/13/94
2/15/95	8.000	45000.00	21583.12	66583.12	2/13/95
8/15/95	8.000		19783.12	19783.12	8/13/95
2/15/96	8.000	45000.00	19783.12	64783.12	2/13/96
8/15/96	8.000		17983.12	17983.12	8/13/96
2/15/97	7.950	45000.00	17983.12	62983.12	2/13/97
8/15/97	7.950		16194.37	16194.37	8/13/97
2/15/98	7.750	45000.00	16194.37	61194.37	2/13/98
8/15/98	7.750		14450.62	14450.62	7/14/98
2/15/99	7.800	45000.00	14450.62	59450.62	2/11/99
8/15/99	7.800		12695.62	12695.62	8/99
2/15/00	7.900	45000.00	12695.62	57695.62	2/00
8/15/00	7.900		10918.12	10918.12	
2/15/01	8.000	45000.00	10918.12	55918.12	
8/15/01	8.000		9118.12	9118.12	
2/15/02	8.050	45000.00	9118.12	54118.12	
8/15/02	8.050		7306.87	7306.87	
2/15/03	8.100	45000.00	7306.87	52306.87	
8/15/03	8.100		5484.37	5484.37	
2/15/04	8.125	45000.00	5484.37	50484.37	
8/15/04	8.125		3656.25	3656.25	
2/15/05	8.125	45000.00	3656.25	48656.25	
8/15/05	8.125		1828.12	1828.12	
2/15/06	8.125	45000.00	1828.12	46828.12	
Total		**900000.00**	**730745.85**	**1630745.85**	

LONG TERM NOTE
ANNUAL REPORT TO THE DEPARTMENT OF REVENUE
BRAGDON FARM PURCHASE - $235,000

Period	Coupon Rate	Principal	Interest	Debt Service	Date Paid
7/96	5.25	3,447.67	1,014.04	4,461.71	7/27/96
8/96		60,538.29		60,538.29	8/15/96
8/96	5.25	3,828.91	632.80	4,461.71	8/15/96
10/96	5.25	3,259.35	1,202.36	4,461.71	10/4/96
10/96	5.25	3,848.67	613.04	4,461.71	10/30/96
11/96	5.25	3,770.97	690.74	4,461.71	11/29/96
1/97	5.25	3,584.90	876.81	4,461.71	1/7/97
1/97	5.25	3,978.44	483.27	4,461.71	1/29/97
2/97		34,000.00		34,000.00	2/18/97
2/97		1,000.00		1,000.00	2/26/97
2/97	5.25	3,965.50	496.21	4,461.71	2/26/97
3/97	5.25	4,003.80	457.91	4,461.71	3/27/97
4/97	5.25	3,990.08	471.63	4,461.71	4/27/97
5/97	5.25	4,022.51	439.20	4,461.71	5/27/97
6/97	5.25	4,025.80	435.91	4,461.71	6/27/97
7/97	5.25	4,057.24	404.47	4,461.71	7/27/97
Adj.		-17,126.03		-17,126.03	
8/97	5.25	2,667.53	476.23	3,143.76	8/27/97
9/97	5.25	2,058.44	464.33	2,522.77	9/27/97
10/97	5.25	2,082.30	440.47	2,522.77	10/27/97
11/97	5.25	2,076.90	445.87	2,522.77	11/27/97
12/97	5.25	2,100.24	422.53	2,522.77	12/27/97
1/98	5.25	2,095.52	427.25	2,522.77	1/27/98
2/98	5.25	2,104.87	417.90	2,522.77	2/27/98
3/98	5.25	2,153.79	368.98	2,522.77	3/27/98
4/98	5.25	2,123.86	398.91	2,522.77	4/27/98
5/98	5.25	2,145.89	376.88	2,522.77	5/27/98
6/97	5.25	2,142.90	379.87	2,522.77	6/27/98
7/98	5.25	2,164.40	358.37	2,522.77	7/28/98
8/98	5.25	2,162.10	360.67	2,522.77	8/19/98
9/98	5.25	2,171.74	351.03	2,522.77	9/22/98
10/98	5.99	2,192.44	330.33	2,522.77	10/27/98
11/98	5.99	2,191.20	331.57	2,522.77	11/24/98
12/98	5.99	2,211.35	311.42	2,522.77	12/22/98
1/99	5.99	2,210.83	311.94	2,522.77	1/26/99
2/99	5.99	2,220.69	302.08	2,522.77	2/23/99
3/99	5.99	2,258.87	263.90	2,522.77	3/23/99
4/99	5.99	2,240.66	282.11	2,522.77	4/27/99

LONG TERM NOTE
ANNUAL REPORT TO THE DEPARTMENT OF REVENUE
BRAGDON FARM PURCHASE - $235,000

Period	Coupon Rate	Principal	Interest	Debt Service	Date Paid
5/99	5.99	2,259.43	263.34	2,522.77	5/25/99
6/99	5.99	2,260.73	262.04	2,522.77	6/22/99
7/99	5.99	2,278.94	243.83	2,522.77	7/99
8/99	5.99	2,280.97	241.80	2,522.77	8/99
9/99	5.99	2,291.14	231.63	2,522.77	9/99
10/99	5.99	2,308.50	214.27	2,522.77	10/99
11/99	5.99	2,311.65	211.12	2,522.77	11/99
12/99	5.99	2,328.44	194.33	2,522.77	12/99
1/00	5.99	2,332.34	190.43	2,522.77	1/00
2/00	5.99	2,342.74	180.03	2,522.77	2/00
3/00	5.99	2,364.13	158.64	2,522.77	3/00
4/00	5.99	2,363.73	159.04	2,522.77	4/00
5/00	5.99	2,379.06	143.71	2,522.77	5/00
6/00	5.99	2,384.88	137.89	2,522.77	6/00
7/00	5.99	2,399.64	123.16	2,522.80	
8/00	5.99	2,406.21	116.56	2,522.77	
9/00	5.99	2,416.94	105.83	2,522.77	
10/00	5.99	2,430.78	91.99	2,522.77	
11/00	5.99	2,438.55	84.22	2,522.77	
12/00	5.99	2,451.79	70.98	2,522.77	
1/01	5.99	2,460.36	62.41	2,522.77	
2/01	5.99	2,471.33	51.44	2,522.77	
3/01	5.99	2,486.26	36.51	2,522.77	
4/01	5.99	2,493.44	29.33	2,522.77	
5/01	5.99	2,505.14	17.63	2,522.77	
6/01	5.99	1,580.31	6.82	1,587.13	

TREASURER'S COUPON & NOTE REGISTER
ANNUAL REPORT TO THE DEPARTMENT OF REVENUE ADMINISTRATION
POLICE/RESCUE FACILITY BOND

Period Ending	Coupon Rate	Principal	Interest	Total Debt Service	Date Paid
2/15/97			11703.13	11703.13	1/8/97
8/15/97	5.625	35000.00	9843.75	44843.75	8/8/97
2/15/98			8859.38	8859.38	2/8/98
8/15/98	5.625	35000.00	8859.38	43859.38	7/24/98
2/15/99			7875.00	7875.00	1/5/99
8/15/99	5.625	35000.00	7875.00	42875.00	7/99
2/15/00			6890.63	6890.63	2/00
8/15/00	5.625	35000.00	6890.63	41890.63	
2/15/01			5906.25	5906.25	
8/15/01	5.625	35000.00	5906.25	40906.25	
2/15/02			4921.88	4921.88	
8/15/02	5.625	35000.00	4921.88	39921.88	
2/15/03			3937.50	3937.50	
8/15/03	5.625	35000.00	3937.50	38937.50	
2/15/04			2953.13	2953.13	
8/15/04	5.625	35000.00	2953.13	37953.13	
2/15/05			1968.75	1968.75	
8/15/05	5.625	35000.00	1968.75	36968.75	
2/15/06			984.38	984.38	
8/15/06	5.625	35000.00	984.38	35984.38	
Total		**350000.00**	**110140.68**	**460140.68**	

SELECTMEN'S REPORT

The Board of Selectman had a very interesting year highlighted by a few changes in personnel. We are fortunate to welcome Brian Gleason as our first full time director of the Amherst Rescue Squad as Brian was selected from a field of over 50 applicants. Brian comes with extensive knowledge of all aspects of EMS, however, Brian is very strong in the training aspect of his field. This will be a wonderful asset in that the squad is a volunteer group and we have the utmost confidence that he will be able to pass on his extensive knowledge to the whole crew. Brian replaces volunteer Marcia Houck who has been on the squad 22 years. Marcia exemplifies the volunteer spirit in Amherst and the town owes Marcia a debt of gratitude for the many days and especially nights that she has served while we all slept. This is the kind of service that makes it possible to have advanced services in a small town that would be otherwise unaffordable.

In October Carl Weber assumed the role of town administrator. Carl comes to Amherst with an impressive background in public administration. The board looks forward to his guidance as we enter the 21st century and we urge all our citizens to stop by the town hall and meet Carl.

The Board continues into the New Year with a comprehensive review of all management practices of our town government. In this fast changing world it is very easy for a town to get behind in its policies, personnel matters and procedures. We enacted a code of conduct for all personnel, paid or volunteer, to ensure that all interactions with the town are conducted with common courtesy and the highest ethical standards. We look to Carl to help implement a new accounting program and server based computer system. As in the private sector, the computer systems available to the town are evolving at a rapid pace and we intend to leverage these improvements to provide cost-effective improvements in service, improved access and continuity at a lower cost to the taxpayer. We have contracted the New Hampshire Municipal Association to review our employee compensation rates and we continue with department-by-department reviews.

The Board has not resolved all the issues involved with the need to update the town hall after the defeat of the warrant article last year. This building is a very fine historic structure with the capacity to house our town administrative functions for the foreseeable future. The Board conducted a survey of voters at the last election and received over 1000 responses. 80% of those responding favor restoring the town hall and keeping town government in the town center. The problems associated with the town hall are handicap accessibility, wiring, heating (all mechanical systems) etc. It is very difficult to do this kind of work in a cost-effective manor without the total rehabilitation of the building, and doing nothing to the building is not sustainable for much longer. We have not put any related article on the warrant this year because of the school bonds that are put forth. If

history is any indication, however, the delay in the work at the town hall is going to cause it to be more expensive.

The Board also supports purchasing land for the purpose of conservation, open space, recreation and future town needs. A question in our survey resulted in 80% of the respondents supporting the purchase of land. The results of the question of how to fund the purchase was not decisive which leads me to believe that we should have added the option "Have someone else pay for it."
The Board of Selectman would like to thank all the employees and volunteers for all their hard work this year as Amherst moves into the new millennium.

Steven Desmarais
Chairman

WAYS & MEANS COMMITTEE REPORT

The Amherst Ways & Means committee is comprised of eight citizens appointed by the Town Moderator to review budgets and warrant articles proposed by the Board of Selectmen. Throughout the budgeting process members of the committee met with town officials to review and discuss each of the departmental budgets. The objective of the committee was to represent the interests of the citizens through careful review and discussion of budgets and warrant articles proposed by those officials.

The committee made a diligent effort to participate in all aspects of the process. We met with town departmental officials early on in the budget cycle along with the selectmen in focused groups in order to more fully understand not only the current budgets, but also their relationship to previous year budgets. This year, as a result of splitting the Ways & Means Committee between Town Government and Amherst Schools, the town side committee was able to look at the budgeting process in greater depth. We were pleased with the level of cooperation that we received from department heads, town officials, and the Board of Selectmen. The information flow has improved over previous years and progress is being made in regard to monitoring and reporting budget changes and adjustments.

Under the new town administrator we are seeing a more accurate and complete reporting of town expenditures. For example, in previous years, employee benefits have not been charged to departmental budgets. This year each departmental budget is showing the actual expenses associated with its employees. A more structured approach is being taken to line item accounting in departmental budgets. For example, wages will be paid from wage lines and supplies will be paid from supply lines. This will allow the town and its departments to better monitor and control expenses and to more accurately plan future expenses and plan future budgets. The Ways & Means Committee applauds these changes. We are also pleased with plans to produce an up-to-date procedures manual that will provide guidance and direction for town employees ensuring a more consistent and accountable process for managing the town's expenses.

The after consideration and review of the departmental budgets and the warrant articles, the committee is prepared to make the following recommendations.

Article 2. This article speaks to the long-term lease/purchase agreement for a Fire Truck. **The Ways and Means Committee unanimously agrees with this article as worded.**

Article 3. This article speaks to the town's operating budget. While the Ways & Means Committee understands that the final budget has not been set, in its current state **the Ways & Means Committee unanimously recommend a yes**

vote. Further the Ways & Means committee recommends that the town institutes town and departmental line item accountability in their budgets and establishes specific line items for one-time high-ticket purchases.

Article 4. This article speaks to town's collective bargaining agreement between the Selectmen and the Teamsters Union. While the final figures have not been approved, the **Ways & Means Committee unanimously agrees with the warranting of this issue this year. We believe that the town employees deserve this consideration and should not have their increases put at risk by being bundled in with article 3.**

Article 5. This article speaks to town's collective bargaining agreement between the Selectmen and the American Federation of State, County & Municipal Employees Union. While the final figures have not been approved, the **Ways & Means Committee unanimously agrees with the warranting of this issue this year. We believe that the town employees deserve this consideration and should not have their increases put at risk by being bundled in with article 3.**

Article 6. This article speaks to the purchase of two new ambulances for the Rescue Squad using $180,000 from the Capital Reserve. **The Ways & Means Committee unanimously recommends approval of this warrant.**

Article 7. This article speaks to the discontinuation of the Highway Department's Capital Reserves Grader Fund created in 1950. These funds are to be transferred to the Town's previously established Highway Vehicle Capital Reserve Fund. **The Ways & Means Committee recommends approval of this warrant.**

Article 8. This article speaks to the purchase of a front-end loader in the amount of $90,000. **The Ways & Means Committee recommends approval of this warrant.**

Article 9. This article speaks to raising money for three turning lanes off of Route 101. **The Ways & Means Committee unanimously recommends approval of this article**

Article 10. This article speaks to a contribution to the NH HIV Taskforce in the amount of $3000. **The Ways & Means Committee unanimously recommends approval of this article.**

Article 11. This article speaks to a process that will restrict and control the future use and/or development of the Bragdon Farm property in perpetuity. **The Ways& Means Committee unanimously recommends approval of this article.**

Article 12. This article speaks to changing the allocation of 50% of the collected Land Use Tax. Currently 50% goes to the conservation commission for the purpose of purchasing conservation land as was intended by the RSA. According to this article, the other 50% will now accumulate in the general fund and, with the approval by a vote of the legislative body at the annual meeting, will be able to be used for "the purposes of conservation land purchases, recreation land purchases, significant building renovations or purchases. **The Ways & Means Committee unanimously recommends the approval of this article with the following amendment. The words "significant building renovations or purchases" should be removed and an "or" should be place between "land purchases" and "recreation land". The committee believes that this more closely follows the original intent of the RSA.**

Article 13. This article speaks to the creation of a "revolving account" for the recreation department. **The Ways & Means Committee is concerned about the lack of well-defined and written policies and procedures that would be needed to manage this process. We believe that recreation department is an important resource to the citizens, but due to the complexity of their budget and the lack of procedures, we unanimously recommend a NO vote on this article. At such a time where there are adequate rules and procedures in place, the committee believes that this will be an appropriate way to manage this department's budget.**

Article 14. This article speaks to the creation of a "revolving account" for the Peabody Mill Environmental Center. **While the Ways & Means Committee has similar reservations to this article that we do to Article 13, we are unanimously in favor of a yes vote for this article. We believe that this department's budget is smaller and simpler than the recreation department's budget, and should be used as a test case for setting up the appropriate policies and procedures for future use.**

AMHERST TOWN LIBRARY
REPORT OF RECEIPTS & EXPENDITURES
FOR THE TWELVE MONTHS ENDED JUNE 30, 2000

	Town Budget Account	Copy Machine Account	Fines Account	Gift Account	Rosalie Norris Account	Technology Account	Capital Access Account	Total
BALANCE: June 30, 1999								
Citizens Bank		3,556.57	1,399.82	4,985.17	1,308.20	76.43		11,326.19
Granite Bank							5,021.75	5,021.75
Bank of NH CD				12,394.96				12,394.96
Granite Bank CD				41,000.00	30,000.00			71,000.00
Citizens Bank CD				2,700.00				2,700.00
TOTAL BALANCE:	**0.00**	**3,556.57**	**1,399.82**	**61,080.13**	**31,308.20**	**76.43**	**5,021.75**	**102,442.90**
RECEIVED(7/1/99-6/30/00)								
Town Appropriation	$392,184.00							$392,184.00
Current Gifts				$13,056.21				$13,056.21
Library Fees			$860.00					$860.00
Interest & Dividends		$17.45	$23.04	$3,835.17	$559.50	$0.35	$97.03	$4,532.54
Fines Assessed			$13,238.94					$13,238.94
Copy Machine Fees		$4,191.79						$4,191.79
TOTAL RECEIVED:	**$392,184.00**	**$4,209.24**	**$14,121.98**	**$16,891.38**	**$559.50**	**$0.35**	**$97.03**	**$428,063.48**
TOTAL FUNDS AVAILABLE:	**$392,184.00**	**$7,765.81**	**$15,521.80**	**$77,971.51**	**$31,867.70**	**$76.78**	**$5,118.78**	**$530,506.38**
EXPENDITURES(7/1/99-6/30/00)								
Salaries & Wages	$282,135.69							$282,135.69
Bookkeeper	$1,915.00							$1,915.00
Custodian	$11,230.00							$11,230.00
Technical Consulting	$956.50							$956.50
Books	$38,915.47		$11,124.18	$10,429.77	$1,124.32			$61,593.74
Audio Visuals	$2,490.08		$2,637.15	$3,127.02				$8,254.25
Periodicals	$4,195.11							$4,195.11
CDROM/Online Info	$10,876.27			$700.00				$11,576.27
Dues	$455.00							$455.00
Travel & Meetings	$1,100.67							$1,100.67
Education	$1,106.50							$1,106.50

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	Town Budget Account	Copy Machine Account	Fines Account	Gift Account	Rosalie Norris Account	Technology Account	Capital Access Account	Total
Computer Software	$ 1,107.34			$ 1,590.00				$ 2,697.34
Supplies & Postage	$4,066.38	$852.86						$4,919.24
Buildings & Grounds	$1,909.80			$845.39				$2,755.19
Telephone	$4,143.05							$4,143.05
Service	$1,155.14	$1,325.00						$2,480.14
Computer	$14,348.86			$779.95				$15,128.81
Bindery	$0.00							$0.00
Cooperative Service	$150.00							$150.00
Programming	$260.11			$1,024.25				$1,284.36
Contingency				$823.46				$823.46
Capital Improvement	$4,911.78			$4,711.00			$1,245.60	$10,868.38
TOTAL EXPENDITURES:	**$387,428.75**	**$2,177.86**	**$13,761.33**	**$24,030.84**	**$1,124.32**	**$0.00**	**$1,245.60**	**$429,768.70**
BALANCE JUNE 30, 2000								
Citizens Bank		5,587.95	1,760.47	10,240.67	743.38	76.78		$18,409.25
Granite Bank							3,873.18	$3,873.18
Granite Bank CD				41,000.00	30,000.00			$71,000.00
Citizens Bank CD				2,700.00				$2,700.00
TOTAL BALANCE:	**$0.00**	**$ 5,587.95**	**$ 1,760.47**	**$53,940.67**	**$30,743.38**	**$ 76.78**	**$3,873.18**	**$ 95,982.43**

AMHERST TOWN LIBRARY LIBRARIAN'S REPORT
STATISTICS FOR FY 1999-2000

Circulation		
Adult Fiction	28,364	
Adult Nonfiction	22,784	
Young Adult Fiction	4,178	
Juvenile Books	51,619	
Magazines	6,518	
Puzzles and Games	397	
Audio Recordings	12,522	
Video Recordings	12,063	
Pamphlets	146	
Software	783	
ILL (Items borrowed from other libraries)	1,004	
TOTAL CIRCULATION	**140,937**	
Patrons Registered	11,636	
Average Weekly Attendance (# patrons)	2,200	
Reference Questions Answered	10,764	
Online Product Use	15,389	
Public Internet Use	3,842	
Resources Available		
Books	51,335 Titles	56,304 Items
Sound Recordings	1,891	
Video Recordings	1,135	
Computer Software	52	
Pamphlets/Maps	464	
Periodicals	198 Titles	11,113 Items
Newspaper Subscriptions		
Weeklies	3	
Dailies	9	
Sunday Papers	5	
Film Strips	36	

Electronic Subscriptions
- NetAdvantage
- OCLC FirstSearch
- Information Access Searchbank
- EBSCO Subscription Services Magazine Index, Business Index, Health Index, and Advice to Patients
- Internet
- Social Issues Resources Researcher and Discoverer
- Grolier Online
- Reference USA
- Poem Finder
- ProQuest
- TopoQuads, 3-D Maps of Vermont and New Hampshire

Cooperative Memberships
- New England Library Network (NELINET)
- GMILCS, Inc.
- Hillstown Library Cooperative

Programs and Activities

Preschool Storytime Sessions	127
Toddler Programs	7
Programs for School-Age Children	25
Visits of School Groups to Library	30
Librarian Visits to Schools	39
Summer Reading Program for Children and Young Adults	
Family Programs	3
Adult Programs	11
Library Network Classes	49
Museum Visits	226
Displays and Exhibits	24

AMHERST TOWN LIBRARY

The circulation of audio recordings is one of fastest growing categories in the Library. We are continuing to add to our collections and are now getting audio books on CD, which are more durable than books on tape. We also bought two electronic book (e-book) readers for our patrons to try. E-books appear to be an important new way to distribute information which had been available previously only in printed form such as books. Nobody sees electronic books replacing printed books but there may be some works that are published only in electronic book format and we can offer those works to our patrons through these two e-books.

The Library has also improved other services such as the Children's web page which is available on the Internet http://www.amherst.lib.nh.us/childrens/.

Physical improvements to the Library include new carpeting (total first floor and mezzanine areas) and additional shelving for our growing collection. This new shelving involved reorganization of the books and other collection materials. We also rearranged the main service desk area improving the Reference Service area and offering better handicapped access to our patrons.

The annual Anna Boardman Concert, November 1999, with Billy Novick and Guy Van Duser was attended by 175 people. (When you look at the Library space you wonder how 175 people can be seated comfortably for an enjoyable afternoon of music.)

Through a gift from the Friends of the Library, we have a new museum pass for the Canterbury Village. This is in addition to the passes that are offered for the Boston Museum of Fine Arts and Science Museum. The Library has also benefited greatly from significant gifts from the Bean Foundation, Friends of the Library, Milford Hospital Association, Amherst Juniors, Amherst Newcomers, Amherst Lions Club, Amherst Gardeners plus several thoughtful memorial gifts. We also receive many hours of assistance from volunteers. Thanks to everyone who has helped the Library.

We welcome two new employees, Doreen Castillo and Christine Wason, who joined as librarian assistants. We congratulate Ruslyn Vear, who has enrolled in the Masters of Library Science program at Simmons College and has been promoted from library assistant to reference librarian.

ASSESSING REPORT

The equalization rates for the past ten years are as follows:

1990 - 63%	1995 - 98%
1991 - 67%	1996 - 96%
1992 - 69%	1997 - 93%
1993 - 73%	1998 - 94%
1994 - 100%	1999 - 92%

The year of 2000 is now behind us. The property values are climbing at the rate of one percent per month. The property revaluation is underway with the inspection of all properties; the new values will be in effect for the second half of 2002.

The net valuation from 1999 to 2000 increased by three percent on a 2.41 million-dollar increase. The net valuation for the principal tax rate is $792,804,3000. This figure once equalized put Amherst at one billion dollars.

We now have 4.4 million assessment dollars deducted for personal exemptions such as blind, elderly and disabled veterans giving a return of $122,232 to qualifying participants. Our veterans exemptions total $70,000 in tax dollars. If you would like more information on the guidelines for qualifying for any of these exemptions, please feel free to call the Assessing Department Monday through Friday 8:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. at 673-6041.

The Assessor's Office has added an Assessment Technician to the staff as of August 1, 2000. Also the Data Collector is continuing his inspections for the 2002 revaluation. In addition, the Department of Revenue Administration has sent their representative, James Gibney to Amherst in order to proctor the upcoming revaluation. This will consist of rechecking data in the field. Some interior inspections will be revisited and homes remeasured in order to check for accuracy of data.

POPULATION AS COMPILED BY THE TOWN'S CENSUS

1960	2,051	1970	4,893	1980	9,476	1990	10,441
1961	2,182	1971	5,397	1981	9,395	1991	10,481
1962	2,240	1972	5,978	1982	9,051	1992	10,532
1963	2,350	1973	6,632	1983	9,579	1993	10,600
1964	2,625	1974	7,009	1984	9,746	1994	10,829
1965	2,761	1975	7,055	1985	10,131	1995	11,090
1966	3,064	1976	7,690	1986	10,149	1996	11,200
1967	3,377	1977	8,400	1987	10,171	1997	11,652
1968	3,799	1978	8,877	1988	10,029	1998	11,878
1969	4,397	1979	9,220	1989	10,141	1999	12,282
						2000	12,521

AMHERST POLICE DEPARTMENT

The past year was one marked by change within the Department. In July of this year, Sergeant Steve Kemp retired from the Department after twenty-two years of dedicated service to the Town. The retirement created an opportunity to implement a plan, which had been in development for two years, to improve the organization and structure of the Department. The reorganization divided up the Department's responsibilities into three components, and created a new Lieutenants position. The two existing Sergeant positions were redefined, and after an extensive testing process, were filled from within the Department. The new organization will provide the proper structure for the Department now as well as prepare the Department to meet the challenges of the future.

Last year also saw the implementation of a new records management system for the Department, a *Windows* based system that replaced an operating system which was not *Y2K* compatible. The transition to the new system was a long process that tasked all members of the Department. As the year comes to a close more enhancements to the system are anticipated which will increase the operating efficiency of the Department. With the completion of a three-year plan to improve technology, a program to improve the tactical ability of the Department was commenced. Using federal funds, equipment to better protect the police officers in dangerous situations was obtained. Training with this new equipment has begun and will continue into next year. The equipment and training will better prepare the Department to safely handle situations which can occur in any town.

Amherst continued to enjoy some very positive numbers in regards to crime statistics. After proudly reporting the lowest level of burglaries in over thirty years for 1999, the number of burglaries declined further in 2000. Overall, the number of reported crimes in Amherst dropped by two percent last year, and declined by eleven percent over a two-year period. The only criminal category to show a significant increase was criminal mischief, usually youth related vandalism, which increased thirty-five percent. The number of motor vehicle crashes rose for the first time in three years, a trend the Department will look to address via selective enforcement programs planned for next year. The number of calls for service the Department responded to in 2000 shows a decrease of eight percent. In reality, this decrease is probably closer to three percent as the change in records management software created a different way of recording calls which makes a direct comparison to prior years difficult.

The goals of the Department are to continue to reduce the amount of crime in Amherst, and to work with the community to maintain the quality of life that exists. The past success in meeting these goals, and the likelihood of future attainment, continues to be the support and cooperation of the townspeople. We thank you for that support and look forward to working closely together in the future.

Please call, stop by, write, or e-mail us at ***amhrstpd@ici.net*** with ideas as to how we can better serve the community. In addition, we welcome you to frequently visit our website at ***www.amherstpolice.com***. In the coming year we hope to provide even more information to our citizens through this valuable tool.

Summary of Police Activity

	1997	1998	1999	2000
Miles of Patrol	216,331	228,651	226,191	231,303
MV Crashes	282	269	255	309
Injuries	100	83	70	81
Fatalities	3	0	0	0
Arrests	629	628	483	517
Adult	501	540	429	484
Juvenile	128	88	54	33
Crimes				
Arson	5	5	4	2
Assaults	94	75	78	72
Burglary	38	29	18	16
Criminal Mischief	163	197	160	216
Criminal Threatening	13	11	11	12
Criminal Trespass	19	31	10	14
Fraud/Forgery	236	251	234	240
Stolen Motor Vehicle	13	9	7	4
Thefts	217	186	195	182
Incidents				
Alarms	760	821	821	902
Animal Complaints	325	385	335	312
Assist Motorists	388	358	343	310
Disturbances	225	242	248	181
Missing Persons	56	44	42	36
Motor Vehicle Complaints	426	437	419	369
Open Doors	274	300	225	128
Pistol Permits	33	102	98	62
Untimely Death	3	4	1	8
Summons/Warnings	13,348	13,129	13,415	11,793
Total Crimes	971	978	891	870
Total Reports	8,081	8,662	8,193	7587**

***Decrease is partialy attributable to change to new records management system*

AMHERST FIRE DEPARTMENT

The Amherst Fire Department's objective is the preservation and protection of life and property from and during such fires as may occur in the Town of Amherst and vicinity. This Department's activities, however, are not limited to extinguishing fires. Members of the Amherst Fire Department respond to other situations, including carbon monoxide detector activations, fuel spills, motor vehicle accidents and suspicious odor situations, just to name a few. (Please see breakdown provided.)

The Amherst Fire Department (AFD) is managed by three Fire Wards; Chief Rick Crocker, 1st Assistant Chief Thomas P. Grella and 2nd Assistant Chief Steven Bair. Four Engine Companies operate nine pieces of apparatus, located at the Department's two Fire Stations. Central Station is located at 177 Amherst Street, and South Station at 62 Stearns Road.

Central Station houses the Business Office. This is the location for obtaining burn permits, oil and propane installation permits, blasting permits, tank removal permits, etc. All fire prevention planning and inspection coordination also takes place at Central Station. The Office hours are Monday - Friday, 9:00 a.m. - 4:00 p.m. AFD's non-emergency business telephone number is 673-1545. **In case of emergency, dial 673-3131 or 911.**

In fiscal year 1999-2000 the Amherst Fire Department responded 374 times. Of these responses, 268 were toned calls and 106 were service calls. The breakdown is as follows:

Alarm Activation	133	Oil Burner	10
Assist 1A1 and/or 1A2	3	Permit Burn	4
Bomb Scare	1	Propane Related	9
Brush Fire/Pile	9	Smoke Check	7
Carbon Monoxide	25	Smoke in Building	9
Chimney Fire	7	Structure Fire	3
Fuel Spill	8	Suspicious Odor	10
Good Intent	10	Tree on Wires	14
Illegal Burn	9	Vehicle Accident	25
Misc. - Fire	14	Vehicle Fire	11
Misc. - Non-Fire	12	Water Problem	5
Mutual Aid Out	36		

The Amherst Fire Department is responsible for enforcing State Fire Codes and Town Fire Safety Ordinances. These duties are completed through inspection and review activities of several Department members. For the period of 1 January - 31 December 2000, the following inspection and/or review activities occurred:

Propane.....83
Oil Burning Equipment.....41
Underground Tank Removal....17
Foster Home 3
Place of Assembly.....43
Child Care Facilities.....8

Other inspection activities included, but were not limited to, wood stove inspections, site plan reviews, building permit plan reviews, inspections for Department approval of certificates of occupancy, and public and private fire prevention visits.

Although fire prevention activities are conducted all year long, the Fire Department continued its tradition of visiting all Amherst schools during Fire Prevention Week in October. With efforts by many AFD Members, fire trucks were displayed, literature was distributed and fire safety/prevention presentations were delivered. In addition, the Amherst Fire Department, once again, conducted similar activities at the local childcare centers.

The Fire Wards would like to take this opportunity to thank all Members for their service to the Fire Department. Thanks also to the taxpayers of Amherst who have consistently been loyal in supporting our efforts.

Our Firemen's Breakfasts have been extremely successful in 2000. These events, held in the apparatus bay at Central Station, are scheduled to continue in 2001. Look for details in local newspapers and/or on the Fire Department sandwich board, in front of Central Fire Station. All are welcome to attend. Let us cook you breakfast. View apparatus. Get to know your Fire Department's Members.

We are proud to announce that in 2000 the Firemen's Ball returned. Thank you to all those individuals who had a hand in making it a huge success. All funds raised were to benefit the AFD Relief Association. This Association's purpose is to provide financial aid to Members and/or their families, should one suffer injury or loss of life in the line of duty. This Association receives no tax-dollars. Its only sources of funding are donations, and fundraising activities, such as the Firemen's Ball.

Special congratulations go out to the following individuals, who in 2000 reached membership milestones with the Fire Department:

1st Assistant Chief Thomas P. Grella 25 years
James Lockwood..... 10 years
Ronald Vigneault..... 10 years
Mark Wilson 5 years
Lieutenant Brian Disco..... 5 years
Paul LaBrosse..... 5 years

The AFD has the capability of maintaining 52 members, however, at this time, is not operating at capacity. Parties interested in joining are encouraged to complete a Membership Application. No experience is necessary, just a willingness to learn and the desire to serve the community. To obtain an application or inquire about membership, please contact the Business Office at 673-1545.

The Amherst Fire Department would like to take this opportunity to thank the people of Amherst and surrounding towns for their continued support. We wish everyone a happy, healthy and safe upcoming year.

DIRECTOR OF PUBLIC WORKS & ROAD COMMISSIONERS

During the year 2000 the Public Works Department was kept very busy with responding to 400 service requests from residents and other Town Departments. Their notable accomplishments are:

BUILDING MAINTENANCE – Replaced the rear soffit and fascia boards at the Highway Garage, numerous ventilation improvements at the Rescue Facility along with heating improvements to the Rescue Squad office spaces. New and improved lighting for the first floor hallway at Town Hall was installed as well as improvements to heating in the Town Clerks office. A dehumidifier was established in the Town Hall vault to try and better preserve the stored records.

Hillsborough County Community Workers enhanced our building maintenance efforts. With the help of this group the interior of South Fire Station, Central Fire Station, Highway Garage, DPW Office and a portion of the Police Station was repainted. These workers were also extremely valuable with the leaf removal at all the Town buildings and cemeteries.

CEMETERIES – The DPW crew saw to the maintenance of four town cemeteries and made these cemeteries respectable for the Memorial Day observance. This department also erected and established a flagpole for the Cricket Corner Cemetery. Meadowview Cemetery was treated for an infestation of the Shaffer beetle, which caused a considerable amount of work to reestablish grass in this location. The white picket fence in front of Meadowview Cemetery was painted. The DPW also applied topsoil and grass seed in the south corner of the Old Cemetery.

HOT BITUMINOUS OVERLAY on:

Junkins Road
Sunset Road
Foundry St.
Knight St.
Old Manchester Road
Wilkins Road
Roberts Road
Crestwood Dr.

Fernwood Dr.
Ridgewood Dr.
Briarwood Dr.
Orchardview Dr.
North Hollis Road
Winterberry Dr.
Greenbriar Lane
Holly Hill Dr.

A portion of:
Boston Post Rd. S.
Stearns Road
Horace Greeley Rd.
Green Road

CRACK SEALING

Baboosic Lake Road
Pond Parish Road
Mont Vernon Road

Mack Hill (portion)
Boston Post Road (portion)
Walnut Hill Road

DRAINAGE INSTALLATIONS MAINTENANCE

Lyndeborough Road
Jones Road
Chestnut Hill Road
Brook Road
Merrimack Road
Fernwood Dr.
River Road
Danbury Circle
Hickory Dr.
Boston Post Road North
Foundry St.
Mack Hill Road.
Whittemore Lane
Church St.
Juniper Dr.
Transfer Station
Old Cemetery

DITCH LINE CLEANING

Jones Road
Pine Road
Roberts Road
Old Manchester Road
Crestwood Dr.
Fernwood Dr.
Ridgewood Dr.
Briarwood Dr.
Orchardview Dr.
Winterberry Dr.
Boston Post Road South
Southfield Dr.
Greenwood Dr.

SIDEWALK AND SLUICEWAY REFURBISHMENT on:

Sunset Road
Main St.
Middle St.
Courthouse Road
Southfield Dr.
Merrimack Road
Pinewood Drive
Boston Post Road South
Mack Hill Road
Wilkins School

WINTER MAINTENANCE – of approximately 118 miles of Town roads both paved and unpaved resulted in 21 snow or ice evolutions for the winter of 99/00. Our winter maintenance efforts gave way to contract street sweeping in curbed areas of town and street brooming with our farm tractor in all other paved areas.

SOLID WASTE – At our Transfer Station this crew constructed new concrete pads for our containers, three new pressure treated wooden retaining walls, and moved volumes of compost to a new location to insure space for this year's leaves.

MISCELLLANEOUS WORK – The DPW started a time study in hopes that this information will be valuable to the Board of Selectmen. We established a turn around at the Boston Post Post Road extension, improved sight distance and shoulder at the intersection of Lund Lane and Baboosic Lake Road. This Department assisted with curb installation at the Wigwam historic building and at the Chapel on Middle Street. Our crew also painted a hallway and meeting room at the Library along with office space at the Town Hall.

On Huntington's Common many large pine trees were removed following an infestation of the white pine blister rust. This work included removal of stumps and reseeding of grass areas. The Town's celebration of the Fourth of July kept our crews fully engaged giving assistance in many related endeavors. Our Department assisted the State of New Hampshire with mapping of town roads for 911 emergency calling responses. We accomplished roadside mowing of 118 miles between June and November.

On Sunset Road the DPW assisted with the beautification of the median island located at the intersection of Boston Post Road North. Beaver challenges were successfully overcome at Amherst Street, Upham Road, Aglipay Drive, Horace Greeley Road, Walnut Hill Road, Camp Road and Corduroy Road. Large dead tree removals were completed on Chestnut Hill Road, Baboosic Lake Road, Christian Hill Road, Merrimack Road, Thornton's Ferry Road I, Mack Hill Road and Amherst Street. New trees were planted at the Old Cemetery and South Fire Station. Aggregate storage bunkers were erected at the Highway facility.

In conclusion, during the next fiscal year 2001/2002, it is the Departments goal to protect our infrastructure with a continued emphasis on drainage improvements and maintenance. Overlay paving is anticipated in the following locations:

Portion of:
Stearns Road
Christian Hill Road
Lyndeborough Road
Mack Hill Road
Mont Vernon Road
Walnut Hill Road
Broadway
Old Manchester Road
Northern Blvd.
Cross St.
North St.
School St.

The Department of Public Works wishes to thank the taxpayers for their continued support, the Board of Selectmen and the Road Commissioners for their assistance and especially the employees of the Public Works Department for their efforts.

AMHERST RESCUE SQUAD

The Amherst Rescue Squad's mission is to provide the highest quality, cost effective Basic and Advanced Life Support Emergency Medical Services, for the communities of Amherst and Mont Vernon. In addition to medical transportation, the Squad provides in-house EMS Education and CPR Training.

Full-time Director Brian Gleason manages the Amherst Rescue Squad. The ARS is currently made up of approximately 45 EMT, EMT-Intermediate, and Paramedics.

Our station is located on the lower level of Police Headquarters and is comprised of complete living quarters, academic center, and vehicle storage facility. Our fleet includes two Type III emergency Ambulances and a Paramedic Response Vehicle. The Paramedic Response Vehicle was donated to the Squad by the Amherst Police Department, and will serve as a rapid response and incident command vehicle.

During the fiscal year 1999-2000, the Amherst Rescue Squad responded 488 times. Of the 488 responses, 68 were medical calls to Mont Vernon.

The general "Nature of Response" breakdown is as follows:

Advanced Life Support		**Basic Life Support**	
Breathing Difficulty	(92)	Motor Vehicle Accidents	(96)
Chest Pains	(36)	Lacerations	(20)
Overdoses	(6)	Fractures	(14)
Head Injuries	(8)	Psychiatric	(10)
Major Trauma	(12)	Minor Trauma	(22)
Misc. ALS Injuries	(60)	Misc. BLS Injuries	(112)

The Squad continues to participate in activities such as the fifth grade "Home Alone" program, the 4th of July parade, soccer, football and road race coverage, and preschool familiarization of the ambulance.

The ARS sponsored Boy Scouts of America Explorer Post 2941, continues to attract active members between the ages of 16-18 years and remains involved in community service projects. Jean Miller supervises the Explorer Post. Teens are encouraged to become involved. It is a great way to experience the medical field first hand.

Anyone interested in joining the Amherst Rescue Squad is encouraged to contact any of our members or by calling the Amherst Rescue Squad at 673-7030. Please visit our web site at *www.town.amherst.nh.us* for additional information.

The Amherst Rescue Squad would like to thank the citizens of Amherst and surrounding communities for their continued support. Your generous contributions and letters of encouragement have contributed greatly to the success of our mission.

ZONING / PLANNING ADMINISTRATOR'S REPORT

The Zoning Office serves many functions within the community including building inspections, health inspections, daycare and foster care inspections, Code Enforcement, witnessing wetland determinations and soil tests on property and planning. Our department works closely with realtors, brokers, appraisers and homeowners doing research on the history of their properties within the Town, as well as all the Boards and Commissions within the Town.

Zoning Activity Report for January 2000-December 2000

Permits Issued For:	No. Permits	Value
New Residences	73	17,554,711
Residential-Additions/Alterations	169	3,514,851
New Commercial/Industrial	10	3,808,000
Comm/Ind-Alterations/Additions	21	843,855
Foundations Only	3	9,000
Signs	15	37,548
Pools	15	247,608
Fence-Historic District	3	N/A
Demolitions	2	N/A
Driveways	5	N/A
Septic Permits	100	650,650
Electrical	33	86,857
Withdrawn	0	N/A
TOTAL	**446**	**26,753,080**

Type of Inspection:	No. of Inspections
Zoning / Building	1024
Electrical	456
Violations	118
Certificate of Occupancy	83
TOTAL	**1681**

And, as always, a reminder, that before you begin any remodeling, renovation, or new construction call our office for information on the proper permitting procedures to follow.

ZONING BOARD OF ADJUSTMENT

The Zoning Board of Adjustment is a Board comprised of five elected members and a number of alternates appointed by the Board of Adjustment. It is their function to review requests for relief from the strict regulations of the Ordinance of the Town of Amherst. All meetings are public hearings and anyone wishing to attend is welcome.

The following is a summary of the cases from 2000:

V= Variance EW= Equitable Waiver SE=Special Exception AA= Administrative Appeal

Map & Lot	Case No.	Applicant	Type	Zone	Decision
6-104-012	1166	Button, Brian	V	RR	Granted
17-072-00	1167	Huxable-Appeal of HDC	AA	HD	Upheld
3-036-002	1168	Christ Church of Amherst	V	RR	Void
3-036-002	1169	Christ Church of Amherst	V	RR	Granted
3-032-002	1170	Ritacco	AA	RR	Upheld
24-013-04	1171	Settipane	V	RR	Granted
3-066-016	1172	St. Germain	SE	RR	Granted
8-032-002	1173	Blothenburg, Sue	V	NT	Granted
6-025-002	1174	Reynolds	V	RR	Granted
22-15-000	1175	Stacy, Matthew	V	RR	Granted
22-15-000	1176	Stacy, Matthew	V	RR	Granted
6-092-003	1177	Fitzgerald, Anne T.	V	RR	Granted
2-033-006	1178	C.U.E.S. Peter Fissette	V	IND	Denied
2-12-002	1179	Canady, Helen M.	V	RR	Withdrawn
1-010-007	1180	Dude, Michael	EW	RR	Granted
1-010-007	1181	Dude, Michael	V	RR	Withdrawn
24-72-000	1182	Bailey, Jr. Parker & Hilda	V	RR	Granted
24-72-000	1183	Bailey, Jr. Parker & Hilda	V	RR	Denied
1-015-000	1184	Brockway, Marguerite	V	RR	Denied
2-033-006	1185	Lambda NH LLC/C.U.E.S.	AA	IND	Granted
17-15-000	1186	Hall, Christopher	V	RR	Granted
11-12-015	1187	Burris, William R.	V	NR	Granted
5-052-000	1188	Satish, Sharma	SE	RR	Granted
8-117-000	1189	Montague, Robert	V	RR	Granted
13-01-002	1190	Hanlon & Brownell	SE	RR	Granted
8-125-000	1191	Tacelli, Kenneth	V	RR	Granted
10-30-006	1192	MATJRM	V	NR	Granted

PLANNING BOARD

The Planning Board in the year 2000 had a number of interesting and controversial projects to review. The largest proposal that came before the Board was for an upscale, twenty-one unit empty-nester, condominium project on Dodge Road opposite Jakes Pond. After many long hearings on the site and the related scenic road hearings, the project was approved with what the Planning Board hopes will be minimum disturbance to Dodge Road.

Cellular towers occupied a great deal of time on the Board's agenda this year. The Planning Board was able to set standards for the construction of artificial tree towers during several meetings with applicants. We now know a lot more on how to successfully disguise a cell tower.

During this year another building was added to Route 101A on the east side, adjacent to the Seasonal Specialty Store, that will be the home for Ceratec, a ceramic tile distributor.

The growth of the town has continued to slow as evidenced by a slight reduction in building permits granted. This is a trend that has continued for several years now.

The Board has several Zoning changes for the 2001 Town Meeting. Chief among these is a rewrite of the Town's Wetland Ordinance. The Amherst Conservation Commission has provided the Planning Board with a tremendous amount of background material and information so that the proposed ordinance will protect the wetlands and associated groundwater resources.

HISTORIC DISTRICT COMMISSION REPORT

The Historic District commission currently consists of seven members and five alternates, all of whom are appointed by the Board of Selectmen. The Commission meets the third Thursday of every month and is charged by ordinance with the responsibility of reviewing all applications for building permits as well as for exterior renovations within the District. Applications to be reviewed by the Commission are due in the Zoning Office at the close of business on the second Tuesday of each month. This allows the agenda to be posted on the Town's Web Page and notification of abutters.

In early 1991, Historic District Commission "Guidelines" were completed, reviewed by Town Counsel, and placed in the Town Library along with the reference material the Commission used in drawing up the guidelines. This reference material includes the Secretary of the Interior's "Standards for Rehabilitation - Guidelines for Rehabilitating Historic Buildings" as well as "Preserving Community Character" which is published by the New Hampshire Association of Historic District Commissions. Both manuals are excellent sources of information and are especially important if one contemplates making changes to an historic house. Copies of the Commission's guidelines are also on file in the Town Hall Zoning Office.

This year the commission dealt with requests for renovations, fencing, and new construction. As we work to maintain fair and reasonable decisions to the applicants while maintaining the very characteristics which make the Historic District unique we spent a good deal of time reviewing, modifying and updating the Zoning Regulations, our Rules of Procedure, the application form, and the Certificate of Approval. We hope that these changes will improve and expedite the processing of applications.

In the year ahead, we will be working with representatives from the Historic Society, Villagers and Nipmugs in trying to determine some form of Master Plan for the District which will include sidewalks, lighting, guard rails and signage as well as ways to maintain the open spaces and views of everyone. We would still like to undertake the architectural survey and would welcome any volunteer help in getting this underway.

RECREATION COMMISSION

In 2000, the Amherst Recreation Commission provided a diversified program of recreational activities such as; baseball, softball, lacrosse, swimming, life guarding, canoeing, sailing, tennis, sewing, archery, track, soccer, drama, wrestling, basketball, volleyball, adult basketball, and adult volleyball. There were a total of 3085 registrations in 2000, an increase of 4% over the previous year. Athletic field space and gymnasium space is at a premium and our basketball, volleyball, lacrosse, soccer, softball, and baseball programs are becoming increasingly difficult to facilitate.

Thru the initial implementation of our recreation plan for the Town of Amherst, Cemetery Fields has seen limited development and we are working on an expansion project that will provide some relief for crowded field facilities.

A special thanks to the Board of Selectmen, the Town Administrator and staff, the Public Works Department, the School Boards and School Departments, the Town Planning Board and the Conservation Commission. Our gratitude is extended to the 500+ volunteer coaches, referees, umpires, team parents, field laborers, lifeguards, and other helping hands that donated the time and effort that make our programs possible. Our personal thanks to the part-time staff who were employed by the recreation Department during 2000, for their continuing loyalty, enthusiasm, and professionalism.

It has been and will continue to be a pleasure to provide the residents of Amherst with programs and activities to enhance their quality of life.

CONSERVATION COMMISSION

The Amherst Conservation Commission manages town properties acquired by donation and town warrant then set aside for conservation purposes. We make recommendations on dredge and fill applications to the State Wetlands Board. We attempt to maintain rural values in the community and conserve wildlife, habitat and water quality. The ACC meets monthly on the second Sunday of the month at 7:00 PM in the Town Hall. The public is welcome.

Acquisitions: The Town benefited immeasurably this year from numerous and well-placed land acquisitions managed for conservation. Approximately 200 acres in all came to the town. Special thanks to Ron Michaud for conducting a bargain sale of 52 acres adjacent to the Joe English Reservation, and to the Amherst Land Trust for acquiring and then donating 41 acres from Marge Huckabee's estate near Horace Greeley Road after challenging negotiations. Other plots acquired were the deNicola Trust land (20 acres) and Prescott (70 acres) both in the northeast area of town and the Audette land (11 acres) lying alongside a segment of the Bicentennial Trail. Many of these acquisitions tie directly into our long range master plan goal to carve out a Greenway from the Pond Parish/Spring Road area, through north central Amherst around Little Baboosic Lake, up to the northern boundary near Pulpit Rock. Another positive initiative will be for all of Amherst's Bragdon Farm to be placed under management by the ACC, subject to town vote this year.

Land Management: Managing land for conservation means taking action to improve the forest and wildlife habitat alongside improvements for passive recreation. Without doubt, the largest management project in Amherst this year was the evaluation of all the Town's wetlands, public and private. This tells which wetlands are most valuable for maintaining the excellent quality of our water, which for wildlife use, which for educational use, etc. A team of volunteers led by Professor Rick van der Poll of Antioch College completed the Wetlands Study. An ordinance was drafted with the approval of the Planning Board to preserve the ability of selected wetlands to provide high water quality. In the passive recreation department we have partnered with local Scouts to establish a mid-technical mountain biking trail in Hazeltine Town Forest. A small but important thing we do is to hay off four fields to keep them free of trees and continued as open meadows.

Conservation Education: The Peabody Mill Environmental Center at Joe English is the ACC's centerpiece facility for conservation education. Jan Woodbury at the PMEC continues to expand both facility and programs – rent snowshoes there this winter and enjoy a crispy hike through Joe English. Kudos to her, all you Hartshorne campers, Colonial Craft Fair attendees, equipment donors and wonderful volunteers.

If you are interested in pursuing conservation values and projects in town, consider becoming a commissioner by contacting the Town Administrator.

SOUHEGAN REGIONAL LANDFILL DISTRICT

This past year has been a very productive one for the Souhegan Regional Landfill District. We have made great advancements in Recycling, showing us that "recycling pays". This year the District will be able to return to the member towns a total of $150,000 from our "Retained Surplus". This was largely due to the excellent response by all the residents who took the time to separate their recyclables. We have also experienced a positive reaction to the initiation of an aluminum can recycling program, which has generated over $6,000 in a few months. Our revenue from year 2000 recycling will exceed $55,000. This not only helps reduce the ever-rising cost for trash disposal but also saves our resources and environment.

Because the response was so positive the District has voted not to submit to the Towns any warrant articles regarding recycling for the year 2001. Instead, the District Members will continue to look for and plan new ways for us to recycle. If **EVERY RESIDENT** did their part, we would exceed the $55,000 raised from recycling this past year.

As your representatives to the Souhegan Regional Landfill District, we would like to thank each town resident who helped make recycling a success. The Board would like to particularly thank Dennis Slocomb, our primary contractor, and Denise Jacobs, our administrator, for their resourcefulness and dedication. We also want to send a special thanks to the employees of all the town transfer stations. Without their help, extra effort and hard work, recycling would not have been so successful. To all the town residents who still do not recycle, please take the time to recycle and help us cut costs, save money and, most importantly, protect the Environment!

Rich Bobich, Chairman
Brookline

Arthur LeBlanc
Hollis

Judith Jones
Amherst

Donald Smith
Hollis

Jack Kunkel
Amherst

Gerry Griffin
Mont Vernon

PEABODY MILL ENVIRONMENTAL CENTER

The Peabody Mill Environmental Center, run by the Amherst Conservation Commission, has completed a very successful first year-round operation since acquisition (from Eleanor Bacon) by the Town in 1997. The center is located adjacent to the Joe English Reservation, at the end of Brook Road. The year long operation ended with a small surplus of funds, which came entirely from program fees and donations. Since its purchase, the operation of the Peabody Mill Environmental Center has had no tax impact. Even yard maintenance & trash removal has been accomplished by volunteers. Without our core of wonderful volunteers the PMEC could not have come so far so quickly! We are most grateful for whatever they do for us!

The PMEC became the new location of the Hartshorn Summer Program in the summer of 1998. The Hartshorn Program is still the Center's core program. Over 440 children attended during Hartshorn's six week duration this summer. The summer program is staffed by paid teachers and adult and high school volunteers.

Other programs this year that we hope will continue to be regular offerings at the PMEC are guided hikes, school vacation camp, garden camp, a monthly preschool class, teacher workshops, and seasonal family activities such as snow shoeing, maple sugaring, and the Colonial Craft Fair. The Travel & Nature series, held the third Wednesday evening of each month, has been discontinued due to lack of interest.

The nature center's displays and natural artifacts have come, in large part, from citizen donations. Citizen donations are encouraged and gratefully accepted.

While the PMEC ended the year with positive program growth and many successes, we regrettably accepted the resignation of our volunteer property manager, Bruce Beckley. Since the property's acquisition he has been responsible for the accomplishment of the majority of code requirements and the physical improvements to the buildings and has maintained the large lawn. We will all miss his talents and the tremendous donation of his time. Thank you Bruce!

Jan Woodbury
PMEC Director

MEMORIAL DAY REPORT

The Memorial Day Sunset Parade was observed on Friday, May 26, 2000. The parade formed at 5:30 p.m. and stepped off at 6:00 p.m. Ceremonies after on the large common - people brought their own picnic and cake was served. The Amherst Town Band held a concert and played patriotic music.

Participants: All Town Veterans, Organizations, Scouts, AFD Color Guard, AMS Band, SHS Band, State Reps, Selectmen, School Board Members, Veterans, Reverend Olsen, Past Recipients of the Citizen of the Year Award, Readers David Quay, Zach Hutchison, Our Memorial Day Essay Winners, The Weiskes, Joanna Bridge, Sara Mitchell and Andrea Crocker, Jim Emmond and the Village Singers, and Joe Doucette, Rhonda Watts and her American Remount Horse Der Freischutz, (International Saddle Champions), The Duval-Riccitelli Families and past recipients of the Duval-Riccitelli Award and the winner for 2000: Allison Willis.

This year's Memorial Day Essay question was: "How Does My Family Observe Memorial Day?" The winners were: Grade II: (1) Leif Arnesen, (2) Anna Bonatto (3) Steven Jellison; Grade IV: (1) Eric Bullock, (2) Sara Baver, (3) Caroline Sheldon; The first prize winners for other grades: Christy Emmond, Grade VI; Suzanne Willis Grade VII; Julie Emmond Grade VIII.

The Bruce Alan Tarpley Memorial Scholarship was presented by Assistant Fire Chief Thomas P. Grella to Eryn A. Sidebotham.

Thank you to all who helped make this event possible: All our marchers and ceremony participants, and our "behind the scenes players": The AHD and John Starkey, the APD and Chief Gary MacGuire, the AFD and Chief Rick Crocker, AMS and Chris Brunelle, SHS and Jean Butler, Amherst Town Band and Jean Butler, Amherst Flower Shop, Mary Robbie, Craig and John Harrigan, Joe Doucette, Liz Overholt, Joe Walsh, Karen Reed, Cliff-Ann and Jim Wales and the Amherst Citizen Newspaper, Tiffany Cleaners, Jim Emmond, Anita Catalano, and my committee: Peter Bergin, Tom Grella, Louise Marley, Peg Jones, Len Twiss, Chris Whittaker, Bob Schaumann and Andy Pataky.

NASHUA REGIONAL PLANNING COMMISSION

The Nashua Regional Planning commission provides transportation and land use planning services and technical assistance to twelve Hillsborough County communities. The NRPC stands ready to assist its member communities with any planning and transportation issue of concern. We at the NRPC are grateful for the participation of Amherst's NRPC Commissioners: Marilyn Peterman, Martin Michaelis and Paul Wenger.

The following is a brief summary of our accomplishments:

Transportation

- Developed and maintained the region's transportation planning program. NRPC is the designated Metropolitan Planning Organization (MPO) for the Nashua Metropolitan Statistical Area and for the New Hampshire portion of the Lowell, Massachusetts Metropolitan Statistical Area. This function includes soliciting, prioritizing and making recommendations on regional and local transportation projects that are funded through Federal or State funds.

- Conducted automatic traffic recorder counts at 152 locations throughout the region during the course of the year. The *Nashua Area Traffic Count summary* was published and distributed to the communities. The report provides comparative data and percent change in traffic from previous year's counts.

- Continued to administer and update the region's traffic model. The model is a computerized database that includes traffic counts, land uses and major roadways for each community in the region, and is used to predict future conditions. The model was upgraded by developing a user-friendly graphic interface, and by re-calibrating the model to reflect more recent conditions.

- Advocated for and been a key participant in the State's efforts to extend commuter rail service to Nashua. During the past year over $15million in resources have been committed toward this effort. The project is currently undergoing preliminary engineering, and will involve complex negotiations among a variety of stakeholders during the upcoming year.

- Conducted various forums and solicitations for applications from the communities for the Transportation Enhancements Program and for the State's Ten-Year Plan. NRPC staff provided extensive technical assistance for the development of applications.

- Completed an update of the *NRPC Area Long-Range Transportation Plan* and a draft of the FY 2001-2010 Ten Year Program and associated 2001-2003 Transportation Improvement Program (TIP). The Plan provides long-range land use and traffic forecasts, impacts of potential projects, and a recommended multi-model transportation program. The TIP is the implementation document, similar to a Capital Improvements Program (CIP), for transportation projects and also includes an air quality conformity analysis.

- Started the process of conducting road inventories. NRPC is responsible for surveying all roads in the region by Town and collecting information including: Width, number of lanes, miles of Class V roads, and other pertinent information. This information is used to determine local allocations for Block Grant funding and other available transportation funds, and is available for local use.

- Conducted traffic counts at the Transfer Station at the request of the Town's highway department.

- Collected accident data in the Route 101 corridor and prepared preliminary findings associated with conditions on that roadway.

Land Use and Environmental Planning

- Completed the Regional Environmental Planning Program (REPP). This included the provision of technical assistance to the conservation commission for a state-level project that sought to prioritize open space and environmentally sensitive lands for funding through the recently approved Senate Bill 401. The final document, which was distributed to the Town, provided detailed sets of maps of conservation priorities for each town, and set the stage for the preparation of applications for State funding.

- Conducted a Non-Point Education for Municipal Officials (NEMO) workshop entitled *Managing Growth and Sustaining Water Quality in the Baboosic lake Watershed.* This process also resulted in the development of numerous maps and data base updates for the watershed area.

- Assisted the Souhegan Watershed Association with a citizen water quality monitoring program on the Souhegan River. We also assisted the Souhegan Watershed Association with the nomination of the Souhegan River to the New Hampshire Rivers Management Program and with the formation of the Souhegan River Local Advisory Committee. In addition, we completed a shoreline survey to assess the condition of stream banks,

width of riparian buffers, status of water withdrawal and the number and condition of outfall pipes.

- Provided technical assistance and educational materials to the Conservation Commission to complete a wetland inventory and associated zoning amendments.

- Prepared design guidelines for use by the communities for inclusion in site plan and subdivision regulations. NRPC has distributed this document to all of the Planning Boards in the region, and a copy is available on our website (www.nashuarpc.org).

- Undertook a comprehensive data collection effort to determine the effects of growth over the past fifty years on each community in the region. This included analyzing the impacts associated with land use, transportation and environmental and fiscal resources. A draft of this document was distributed to Planning Boards for review prior to final publication. The document will provide data needed for towns to justify their land use regulations, and will form the basis of the Regional Development Plan, required by State Law.

- Conducted two training sessions for Planning Boards. The first session, *Planning Board Basics,* was co-hosted by the NHMA in our offices. The second session addressed the issue of providing for housing for senior citizens.

Geographic Information Systems

- Updated a trail map for the Joe English Reservation, which depicts new site improvements and updates from the previous database.

- Prepared a series of overlay maps for use at the 4th of July exhibits of the Conservation Commission.

- Made data files available to Antioch New England Graduate School for their wetland inventory study.

- Maintained a diverse collection of GIS data including roads, real property parcels zoning, land use and environmental conditions. This data was applied in general mapping and analysis for local and regional projects.

- Assisted the Bureau of the Census with mapping and map verification for the 2000 Census.

- Developed new databases that show the location of municipal institutions such as town facilities, childcare centers, hospitals, nursing homes, public transportation, major employers, and social service providers.

- Assembled several local databases into new, regionally consistent sets to allow for cross-town queries and analysis for land use and zoning.

- Began a road inventory process, which will improve the accuracy of our database by identifying new public and private roads.

Solid Waste District

- Administered the Solid Waste District, which is a separate entity from NRPC. The Solid Waste District assesses separate dues for participation in the Household Hazardous Waste program. This past year NRPC set up "satellite" collections in locations other than Nashua, one on each side of the Merrimack River. Next year, collections will be scheduled for a weeknight for those who cannot attend on Saturdays.

- Examined recycling trends of each community served by the Household Hazardous Waste Program, which provides data necessary for local decision making. The *Regional Recycling Plan* was published in October 2000 and was distributed to participating communities.

Andrew Singelakis
Executive Director

REPORT OF TOWN FOREST FIRE WARDEN & STATE FOREST RANGER

There are 2,200 Forest Fire Wardens and Deputy Forest Fire Wardens throughout the State. Each town has a Forest Fire Warden and several Deputy Wardens who assist the Forest Rangers with forest fire suppression, prevention, and law enforcement. The number of fires reported during the 2000 fire season was below average as referenced in the statistics below. Despite this, our network of fire towers and detection patrols were still quite busy with the fire towers being first to report over 135 fires. These fires were quickly and accurately reported to the local fire department for their prompt and effective suppression efforts. Wildland fires occurring in areas where homes are situated in the woodlands are a serious concern for both landowners and firefighters. Homeowners can help protect their homes by maintaining adequate green space around them and making sure that houses are properly identified with street numbers. Please contact the Forest Protection Bureau to request a brochure to assist you in assessing fire safety around your home and woodlands.

To aid your Forest Fire Warden, Fire Department and State Forest Ranger, contact your local Warden or Fire Department to find out if a permit is required before doing **all** outside burning. Fire permits are required for any open burning unless the ground is completely covered with snow where the burning will be done. Violations of RSA 227:L:17, the fire permit law and other burning laws of the State of New Hampshire are misdemeanors punishable by fines of up to $2,000 and/or a year in jail. Violators are also liable for fire suppression costs.

There are eleven Forest Rangers who work for the New Hampshire division of forests and Lands, Forest Protection Bureau. Forest Rangers have investigated numerous complaints regarding violations of the timber harvest and forest fire laws, and taken enforcement action to ensure compliance. If you have any questions regarding forest fire or timber harvest laws, please call our office at 271-2217, or for general information visit our website at www.dred.state.nh.us.

The State of New Hampshire operates 15 fire towers, 2 mobile patrols and 3 contract aircraft patrols. This early detection system and reports from citizens aid in the quick response from local fire departments. These factors are critical in controlling the size of wildland fires, keeping the loss of property and suppression costs as low as possible. Due to permitting and fire safety concerns, please contact your local fire department **before** using portable outdoor fireplaces and vessels, including those constructed of clay, concrete or wire mesh. ***Please contact your local fire department before doing any outside burning.***

Brad Simpkins
Forest Ranger

SYNOPSIS OF DELIBERATIVE SESSION
FEBRUARY 9, 2000

The meeting was called to order at 7:00 p.m. by Moderator Robert Schaumann. The vote on the warrant will take place on March 14, 2000. This meeting was held to discuss the wording of the warrant articles to be placed on the ballot. William Overholt, Chairman of the Board of Selectmen introduced the Board members, Marilyn Peterman, Richard Sherwood, Robert Heaton and Steven Desmarais. He gave an overview of the articles as proposed. Town Administrator Dana Crowell introduced the department heads. Paul Wenger, Chairman of the Ways & Means Committee introduced those members present Richard Haddad, Jack Kunkel and Mike O'Mara. 143 voters were in attendance.

Moderator Schaumann then advised the rules of SB2 empowering the meeting to discuss each article, maintain original wording and place the article on the March 14, 2000 ballot or amend the dollar amount and place the amended article on the ballot. Guidelines for the meeting as proposed by Moderator Schaumann were as follows: (1) Voters would hold up a yellow card when they voted; (2) No amendment to an amendment would be allowed; (3) Three minute speaking rule;(4) No voter would be allowed to speak twice until another voter had spoken once; (5) Voter must state his/her name and address; (6) The question may be called only after everyone at the microphone has spoken; (7) No new business would be discussed after 10:45 p.m. unless it was the will of the meeting to continue. The rules of the meeting were accepted with a show of yellow cards. At the completion of each warrant article, a motion to restrict reconsideration would be accepted, thereby "freezing" the wording on the ballot.

Article 2
To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate, on such terms and conditions as the Selectmen deem appropriate the sum of $1,238,254 for the renovation to the Amherst Town Hall and the FY2001 debt service costs and to authorize the issuance of not more than $1,200,000 of bonds or notes in accordance with the provisions of the Municipal Finance Act (RSA 33) and to authorize the Selectmen to issue and negotiate such bonds or notes and to determine the rate of interest thereon, or take action relative thereto. (60% ballot vote required)

Selectman Peterman presented a brief history of Town Hall. She introduced two local architects Robert Jackson and Rolf Biggers who drew the proposed plans. According to the Board of Selectmen: (1) The Town Hall should remain in town; (2) The outside should remain the same; (3) The first floor should be reconfigured to offer easier citizen access; (4) Must be handicapped accessible according to federal law; (5) All systems would be upgraded; (6) Extend the life and usefulness of the building. Selectman Sherwood gave a history of the uses of the building and reported on the proposed changes.

The Ways & Means Committee voted not to support this article 9-1 according to Jack Kunkel. Although they recognize the need, the plan is too expensive, should be rethought regarding the upstairs meeting and conference rooms.

There was some discussion regarding the length of time for the bond. James Lenaghan, Dream Lake Drive, opposed the plan and proposed the following amended article: To delete $1,238,254 and insert $0.00, second by Andrew Pataky. After a short discussion the amendment was defeated. It was voted to maintain the wording in the original article. Moderator Schaumann directed that Article 2 be placed on the ballot as worded. Motion to restrict reconsideration was passed.

Article 3

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate, on such terms and conditions as the Selectmen deem appropriate the sum of $206,328 for the repair of the Town owned steeple on the Congregational Church of Amherst and the FY2001 debt service costs and to authorize the issuance of not more than $200,000 of bonds or notes in accordance with the provisions of the Municipal Finance Act (RSA 33) and to authorize the Selectmen to issue and negotiate such bonds or notes and to determine the rate of interest thereon, or take action relative thereto. (60% ballot vote required)

Selectman Desmarais presented this article. Ways & Means voted not to support 5-4. The steeple is in disrepair, but it should be a shared responsibility. The original price was quoted by the architect not the contractor. The steeple is a significant liability if not repaired soon. Sue Stitt inquired if it would be legal to change the article from a bond appropriation to a one year appropriation. Town Counsel William Drescher advised that that could be done. That would change the vote from a 60% ballot vote to a majority vote. After some discussion, a motion was made to delete $206,328 and insert $200,000 to be paid in one year. This article was passed as amended. Moderator Schaumann directed this article be placed on the ballot as amended. Motion to restrict reconsideration was passed.

Article 4.

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of $515,963 for the purchase and the FY2001 debt service costs of such municipal land, buildings or property interests therein as the Selectmen deem appropriate and in the best interest of the Town and to authorize the issuance of not more than $500,000 of bonds or notes in accordance with the provisions of the Municipal Finance Act (RSA Chapter 33) and to authorize the municipal officials to issue and negotiate such bonds or notes and to determine the rate of interest thereon with the balance to be raised by taxation provided, nevertheless, that the Selectmen shall not conclude any such purchase unless and until they have presented to either an annual or special town meeting, a warrant article asking the meeting to ratify, by a simple majority vote, the particular parcel chosen by the Selectmen for

purchase, provided nevertheless that this appropriation shall expire, if not implemented within fiscal year 2001 or take action relative thereto (60% ballot vote required).

Selectman Overholt presented this article. This would enable the Selectmen to purchase land that may become available, however, a special town meeting would be required to finalize a purchase. After a short discussion, Moderator Schaumann directed that this article be placed on the ballot as worded. A motion to restrict consideration was passed.

Article 5.
Shall the Town raise and appropriate as an operating budget, not including appropriations by special warrant articles, the amounts set forth on the budget posted with the warrant or as amended by vote of the first session, for the purposes set forth therein, totaling $6,100,075? Should this article be defeated, the operating budget shall be $5,692,079 which is the same as last year, with certain adjustments required by previous action of the Town or by law, the governing body may hold one special meeting, in accordance with RSA 40:13, X and XVI, to take up the issue of a revised operating budget only. This article does not include any appropriation articles listed below.

This article referred to the budget. Each Selectman explained expenditures in the various accounts. Ways & Means voted 8-2 to support the budget. Questions were asked regarding landfill, 4th of July and contingency funding, but no changes were made. The budget was placed on the ballot as worded. Motion to restrict reconsideration was passed.

Article 6.
To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of $11,100 for the Town's one-third share of installing a turning lane on Route 101 at Blueberry Hill Road or take action relative thereto.

This article was presented by Selectman Overholt. Ways & Means supports this article. Charles Glover of Blueberry Hill Road offered an amendment that was deemed to be illegal because it was not warned and, therefore, not accepted by the Moderator. The article was placed on the ballot as worded. Motion to restrict reconsideration was passed.

Article 7.
To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of $10,000 for the partial cost of construction of two new recreation fields in Town, with the balance of the funds for development to be raised through private donation or take action relative thereto.

Selectman Heaton presented this article. Ways & Means supports it 7-3. After a short discussion it was placed on the ballot as worded. Motion to restrict reconsideration was passed.

Article 8.
To see if the Town will vote to establish a Capital Reserve Fund under the provisions of RSA 35:1 for the purpose of purchase of new high band radios and conversion of existing radios to high band frequency and to raise and appropriate the sum of $32,000 to be placed in this fund or take action relative thereto.

Selectman Desmarais presented this article. Ways & Means supports it. This relates to radios for fire. At the direction of the Moderator, this article was placed on the ballot as worded.

Article 9.
To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of $73,500 for renovations (and the required ADA compliance items) to the Central and South Fire Stations or take action relative thereto.

This article was presented by Selectman Desmarais. Ways & Mean s voted 8-1 to oppose. The plan is to reconfigure the downstairs to make more efficient layout for the secretary and inspectors and to finish the upstairs with a bunk room and new meeting room. A small bunk room in at the south station is also requested. With little discussion, the Moderator directed that this be put on the ballot as worded. Motion to restrict reconsideration was passed.

Article 10. (By Petition)
"WHEREAS, the traffic situation on Route 101 has become increasingly hazardous and dangerous for vehicles entering and exiting The Meeting Place shopping plaza,

BE IT RESOLVED THAT:

1. The Board of Selectmen is instructed to request, discuss and negotiate with the State of New Hampshire Department of Transportation for the installation of a sensor activated traffic light on Route 101 at the entrance to The Meeting Place; and
2. The Town of Amherst appropriates $25,000 for cost sharing with the State of New Hampshire Department of Transportation for the installation of the traffic light on Route 101 at the entrance to The Meeting Place."

Richard Verrochi petitioned for this article to be placed on the ballot. Ways & Means does not support by a vote of 8-2. Mr. Verrochi explained that the State has refused to put a light there because the number of accidents at that location is not significant. Selectman Overholt said that the State has turned it down due to the traffic volume and lack of accidents. He said that the State has been

cooperative about making Route 101 safer by eliminating that passing zone by Schoolhouse Road. He noted that a blinking light on the bridge indicating the end of a limited access highway would be helpful. He said that he would support a blinking light at that location rather than a traffic signal light. After a short discussion, the article was placed on the ballot as worded. Motion to restrict reconsideration was passed.

Article 11. (By Petition)
Shall the Town raise and appropriate the sum of $30,000 for consulting services related to researching, performing, and completing a "historic resources survey" of the Amherst Village Historic District?

This petition article was presented by Helen Rowe. Ways & Means voted 8-1-1 not to support. They suggested there may be outside funding sources. The article was placed on the ballot with some discussion as worded. Motion to restrict reconsideration was passed.

Article 12. Non Binding
To see if the Town, as a member of the Souhegan Regional Landfill District, will support the development of a plan or plans to implement a program of expanded and possibly mandatory recycling in order to minimize the material going into the waste stream, reduce costs and maximize the income on recyclable materials. Such plan or plans will be developed by the Landfill District for the purpose of determining their cost and feasibility, after considering both the needs and facility restraints of each of the member Towns. It is anticipated that such plan or plans, if deemed as both feasible and cost-effective, would be presented by the district to the member Towns for inclusion on the 2001 Town Warrants. This is a non-binding article intended to measure the voters' support for a program of expanded, possibly mandatory, recycling.

Sandy Lafleur presented this article. The wording is the same for all towns in the Souhegan Regional Landfill District. This article was placed on the ballot as worded with little discussion. Motion to restrict reconsideration was passed.

Article 13. (By Petition)
To see if the Town will vote to place an additional 50% of the future Land Use change Tax Revenue collected (making the total 100%) in the Conservation Fund for the purpose of land purchase by the Conservation Commission, in accordance with 36-A:5, III. The revenue transfer shall be at the time of collection or take action relative thereto.

This petition was presented by Burt Knight. The Selectmen unanimously recommended a no vote. Mr. Knight said that the cost of services to land in current use is lower than other land. He suggested that when land is taken out of current use that the money should not go back into the town coffers, but used to protect more land. After some discussion the Selectmen voted 4-1 against the

article. The article was placed on the ballot as worded. Motion to restrict reconsideration passed.

Article 14. (By Petition)
To see if the Town will vote to send the following resolution to the New Hampshire General Court: "Resolved, New Hampshire's natural, cultural, and historic resources in this town and throughout the state are worthy of protection and, therefore, the State of New Hampshire should establish and fund a permanent public/private partnership for the voluntary conservation of these important resources".

This article was read by the Moderator. It was placed on the ballot with little discussion. Motion to restrict reconsideration was passed. Elizabeth Overholt suggested that town and school deliberative sessions be held at the same time, that is 7:00 p.m.

Motion to adjourn at 10:27 p.m.

The remaining articles 15-25, zoning changes, were voted on election day, March 14, 2000 when 3,373 voters came to the polls.

Respectfully submitted,
NANCY A. DEMERS
Town Clerk

TOWN ELECTION RESULTS
MARCH 14, 2000

Article 1.	**Election of Town Officers**	
Selectmen (2)	Maryelizabeth Crocker	1634 Votes 3 Years
	Andrew F. Pataky	1011 Votes 3 Years
	Marilyn Peterman	1758 Votes 3 Years
	Richard M. Sherwood	1436 Votes 3 Years
Board of Adjustment (2)	Douglas H. Kirkwood	1938 Votes 3 Years
	Kenneth M. Nicoll	1399 Votes 3 Years
	Walter D. Ohlson	1020 Votes 3 Years
Treasurer (1)	Elizabeth Overholt	1896 Votes 3 Years
	Daniel A. Weldon	731 Votes 3 Years
Library Trustees (2)	David Hallenbeck	2249 Votes 3 Years
	Harold Struss	2247 Votes 3 Years
Trustee of Trust Funds (1)	Stephen Mantius	2310 Votes 3 Years
Moderator (1)	Robert C. Schaumann	2577 Votes 2 Years
Checklist Supervisor (1)	Rhonda M. Keiper	348 Votes 6 Years
	Linda Marolla	476 Votes 6 Years
	Helen B. Ouellette	1268 Votes 6 Years

Article 2.
$1,238,254 bond to renovate Town Hall. (60% vote required)

YES 1406 NO 1898

Article 3.
$200,000 to repair the Town-owned steeple on the Congregational Church of Amherst.

YES 1993 NO 1329

Article 4.
Authorize a bond to purchase municipal land, buildings or property interests. (60% vote required)

YES 1855 NO 1394

Article did not pass as the required 60% vote was not achieved.

Article 5.
Town operating budget of $6,100,075.

YES 1944 NO 1394

Article 6.
$11,100 to install a turning lane on Route 101 at Blueberry Hill.

YES 2738 NO 858

Article 7.
$10,000 for the partial cost of construction for two new recreation fields.

YES 2074 NO 1202

Article 8.
$32,000 Capital Reserve Fund for the purchase and conversion of existing radios to high band frequency.

YES 2035 NO 1160

Article 9.
$73,500 for renovations to the Central and South Fire Stations.

YES 1485 NO 1760

Article 10. (By Petition)
$25,000 for the installation of a traffic light on Route 101 to the entrance of the Meeting Place.

YES 1246 NO 1408

Article 11. (By Petition)
$30,000 for consulting services and completing a "historic resources survey" of the Amherst Village Historic District.

YES 545 NO 2701

Article 12. Non Binding
To implement a plan for expanded and possibly mandatory recycling.

YES 2497 NO 788

Article 13. (By Petition)
To place an additional 50% of the future Land Use Change Tax Revenue collected (making the total 100%) in the Conservation Fund.

YES 995 NO 2216

Article 14. (By Petition)
To send a resolution to the NH General Court to establish and fund a permanent public/private partnership for the voluntary conservation of the State's important resources.

YES 2371 NO 796

Article 15.
Amend ordinance of the scenic setback on Limbo Lane.

YES 1799 NO 933

Article 16.
Amend Map 2 Lot 20-4 to include the entire lot in the Industrial Zone.

YES 1708 NO 932

Article 17.
Amend ordinance Planned Residential Development Bonus Section to include "Housing for Empty Nester" = 40% Bonus if the units are of one or two bedrooms.

YES 1692 NO 911

Article 18.
Amend ordinance section on Exempt Signs to include on premise directional signs.

YES 1918 NO 758

Article 19.
Amend ordinance section on Signs to clarify the setback requirement.

YES 2054 NO 639

Article 20.
Amend ordinance section on Exempt Signs to include open signs.

YES 1893 NO 798

Article 21.
Amend ordinance to remove a leftover reference to a previously deleted paragraph.

YES 1920 NO 645

Article 22.
Amend ordinance to regulate Sexually Oriented Businesses.

YES 2366 NO 374

Article 23. (By Petition)
To revise the permitted uses allowed in the Residential/Rural zone.

YES 425 NO 2677

Article 24. (By Petition)
To revise the permitted uses allowed in the Flood Plain Conservation District.

YES 387 NO 2730

Article 25. (By Petition)
To revise the permitted uses allowed in the Watershed Protection District.

YES 379 NO 2748

BUDGET AS VOTED ON MARCH 14, 2000

GENERAL GOVERNMENT	
Town Officers Salaries	103,556.00
Town Office Expense	262,244.00
Elections	16,610.00
Legal	68,000.00
Insurance	572,792.00
Maps & Survey	3,000.00
Assessing	174,147.00
Police Retirement	38,645.00
Social Security	134,931.00
Employee Retirement	47,026.00
Tree Care	700.00
Conservation	4,000.00
Contingency	50,000.00
Total	1,475,651.00

PUBLIC SAFETY	
Police	948,120.00
Fire	174,609.00
Police Special Duty	40,000.00
Animal Control	10,652.00
Emergency Management	4,230.00
Ambulance	166,883.00
Hydrant Rental	110,800.00
Lease Pay/Ladder Truck	0.00
Total	1,455,294.00

HEALTH & WELFARE	
Health Officer	1,545.00
Souhegan Nursing	10,000.00
St. Joseph's Elderly	1,105.00
Souhegan Valley Resources	3,300.00
Nashua Mental Health	2,607.00
Milford Counseling	3,500.00
Nashua Mediation	650.00
Nashua Rape & Assault	1,200.00
Neighborhood Health	3,000.00
Red Cross	750.00
Big Brother/Big Sister	2,235.00
Host Homes	3,500.00
Keystone Hall	1,000.00
Town Welfare	12,000.00
Total	46,392.00

HIGHWAY	
General Expense	179,816.00
Street Lights	25,875.00
Oiling	79,145.00
Summer Maintenance	103,266.00
Winter Maintenance	351,937.00
Road Improvements	95,400.00
Parks	29,086.00
Highway Subsidy	225,089.00
Town Buildings	135,763.00
Transfer Station	124,813.00
Total	1,350,190.00
RECREATION & CULTURE	
Recreation	285,933.00
Baboosic	32,285.00
Peabody Mill Center	30,070.00
Memorial Day	700.00
July 4th	10,000.00
Total	358,988.00
PLANNING & ZONING	
Regional Planning	11,770.00
Planning	3,583.00
Board of Adjustment	4,303.00
Zoning	117,835.00
Total	137,491.00
LAND DEBT SERVICE	
Payment on Debt-Land	28,322.00
Payment on Debt-Bldg.	35,000.00
Interest on Debt-Land	899.00
Interest on Debt-Bldg.	12,797.00
Total	77,018.00
CAPITAL RESERVES	
Rescue Vehicle	20,000.00
Highway Equipment	37,000.00
Highway Vehicle	38,959.00
Fire Truck	100,000.00
Grader	14,950.00
Total	210,909.00

LIBRARY	
Wages	322,866.00
Operating Expenses	114,517.00
Debt Service:	
Payment on Debt	45,000.00
Interest on Debt	21,836.00
Total	504,219.00
TRANSFERS OUT	
Communications Center	137,653.00
Souhegan Landfill	346,270.00
Total	483,923.00
Sub-Total	6,100,075.00
WARRANT ARTICLES	
Town Hall Renovation Bond	0.00
Steeple Repair	200,000.00
Land Bond	0.00
Blueberry Hill Turning Lane	11,100.00
Recreation Field Development	10,000.00
CR-Radio Conversion/Purchase	32,000.00
Fire Station Renvoation	0.00
Traffic Light-Meeting Place (By Petition)	0.00
Historic Resource Consultant (By Petition)	0.00
Sub-Total	253,100.00
Grand Total	**6,353,175.00**

BIRTHS REGISTERED IN THE TOWN OF AMHERST
FOR THE YEAR ENDING DECEMBER 31, 2000

Date	Place of Birth	Name of Child	Name of Father	Name of Mother
1/12/00	Manchester, NH	Ethan Brinley Richards	Andrew Richards	Erica Richards
1/16/00	Manchester, NH	Isabelle Rose Coulter	John Coulter	Andrea Coulter
1/21/00	Nashua, NH	Elizabeth Rose Hannabach	William Hannabach	Kathleen Hannabach
1/30/00	Manchester, NH	Sean Douglas Corrigan	Douglas Corrigan	Maureen Corrigan
2/5/00	Nashua, NH	Joseph Gabriel Guzman	Raymond Guzman	Colleen Guzman
2/7/00	Nashua, NH	Camryn Paige McNally	James McNally	Kimberly McNally
2/10/00	Manchester, NH	Kyle Gregory Prindle	Gregory Prindle	Anne Prindle
2/18/00	Manchester, NH	Joshua John Mikolay	John Mikolay	Amy Mikolay
2/22/00	Nashua, NH	Isabel Joanna Blume	John Blume	Elia Blume
2/24/00	Nashua, NH	Faith Elizabeth Lockwood	Robert Lockwood	Jo Beth Lockwood
2/25/00	Nashua, NH	McCain John Boonma	Hunter Boonma	Pitayar Boonma
2/27/00	Nashua, NH	Christine Yu-An Liu	David Liu	Qian Kang
3/3/00	Manchester, NH	Justine Louise Bolling	David Bolling	Suzanne Bolling
3/13/00	Nashua, NH	Sclyler Tauhraan Boykin	Clyde Boykin	Tahona Boykin
3/20/00	Nashua, NH	Serena Maire Severini	John Severini	Misti Severini
3/22/00	Manchester, NH	Conor Michael Driscoll	Daniel Driscoll	Kelly Driscoll
3/23/00	Nashua, NH	Alexandra Rae Dubiel	Roger Dubiel	Jodine Dubiel
3/23/00	Manchester, NH	Margaret Jane Regan	Steven Regan	Susan Regan
3/24/00	Leominister, MA	Shane Edward Allcock	Edward Allcock	Melissa Allcock
3/29/00	Peterborough, NH	Brian Patrick Heaney	Michael Heaney	Maria Heaney
3/29/00	Manchester, NH	Drew Riley Barton	Daniel Barton	Sharon Barton
4/2/00	Nashua, NH	Sam Nam Pham	Viet Pham	Amy Pham
4/6/00	Manchester, NH	Sarah Maureen Wilson	Robert Wilson	Maureen Wilson
4/7/00	Manchester, NH	Anna Kirsch Waldron	Donald Waldron	Elizabeth Waldron
4/8/00	Nashua, NH	Isabella Marie St. Laurent	John St. Laurent	Lois St.Laurent
4/8/00	Boston, MA	Elizabeth Lucy Atkins	Matthew Atkins	Marlene Atkins
4/8/00	Boston, MA	Christopher James Atkins	Matthew Atkins	Marlene Atkins
4/9/00	Nashua, NH	Cyrus Hossein Movassaghi	Houman Movassaghi	Lynne Movassaghi
4/12/00	Manchester, NH	Madalyn Annette Barretto	Daniel Barretto	Karyn Barretto
4/21/00	Nashua, NH	Bridget Catherine Beane	Ernest Beane	Kathleen Beane

Date	Place of Birth	Name of Child	Name of Father	Name of Mother
4/25/00	Nashua, NH	Jennifer Rose McNally	Paul Mcnally	Theresa McNally
4/29/00	Nashua, NH	Aliana Gabrielle Nihan	Thomas Nihan	Maria Immaculada Nihan
4/30/00	Nashua, NH	Jacob Robert Hopfenspirger	John Hopfenspirger	Carol Hopfenspirger
5/1/00	Nashua, NH	Bethany Rose Stuart-Vail	George Stuart-Vail	Cheryl Stuart-Vail
5/2/00	Nashua, NH	Keely Charlotte Klaumann	Timothy Klaumann	Amelia Klaumann
5/6/00	Nashua, NH	Harrison Lewis Mazur	Jeffrey Mazur	Lisa Mazur
5/7/00	Manchester, NH	Mackenzie Jane MacGilvra	Kent MacGilvra	Teresa MacGilvra
5/8/00	Nashua, NH	Colby Alexander Primmer	Louis Primmer	Lauren Primmer
5/8/00	Manchester, NH	Benjamin Maurice Allen	Keith Allen	Barbara Allen
5/11/00	Nashua, NH	Margaret Kathleen Dix	David Dix	Mary Dix
5/12/00	Peterborough, NH	Hannah Elizabeth Cohen	Jay Cohen	Cherina Cohen
5/16/00	Manchester, NH	Melina Jean Degroot	Darryl Degroot	Melissa Degroot
5/20/00	Nashua, NH	Ethan David Drinkwater	David Drinkwater	Kerry Drinkwater
5/20/00	Nashua, NH	Eli Joseph Paro	Eric Paro	Christian Paro
5/23/00	Manchester, NH	Kathryn Deppen Dechambeau	Michael Dechambeau	Kimberly Deppen
6/1/00	Nashua, NH	Daniel Jeffrey Hartman	Michael Hartman	Ann Hartman
6/2/00	Manchester, NH	Matthew Joseph Zifchak	Christopher Zifchak	Susan Zifchak
6/15/00	Manchester, NH	Emily Catherine Murphy	Trevor Murphy	Amy Murphy
6/18/00	Nashua, NH	Nathaniel Alexander Sodders	David Sodders	Jane Sodders
6/19/00	Manchester, NH	Gillian Lauraine Martin	Curtis Martin	Robin Martin
6/26/00	Nashua, NH	Elizabeth Ann Long	Thomas Long	Kathleen Long
6/30/00	Nashua, NH	Cameron Michael Lee Frost	Gerald Frost	Lori Frost
7/1/00	Nashua, NH	Paige Elizabeth Karavas	Timothy Karavas	Erin Driscoll-Karavas
7/6/00	Manchester, NH	Sadie Aucelia Jude Thomas	Scott Thomas	Linda Thomas
7/6/00	Manchester, NH	Joshua Brian Fleming	Harold Fleming	Noemi Fleming
7/7/00	Nashua, NH	Sydney Elizabeth Striebel	Steven Striebel	Danielle Striebel
7/7/00	Falmouth, MA	Justin Kyle Ward	James Ward	Kyla Ward
7/7/00	Nashua, NH	Hanna Rose Davio	Gary Davio	Katherine Davio
7/13/00	Manchester, NH	Siri Elizabeth Warren	Travis Warren	Theresa Whiteley
7/14/00	Nashua, NH	Richard Robert Dunn	Richard Dunn	Kimberlee Dunn
7/21/00	Nashua, NH	Madison Ruth Robicheau	Michael Robicheau	Marie Robicheau
7/29/00	Nashua, NH	Sophia Elizabeth Lamay	Gregory Lamay	Heidi Lamay
8/5/00	Manchester, NH	John Albert Caraccio	Albert Caraccio	Michelle Caraccio
8/12/00	Manchester, NH	Abigail Elizabeth Jarry	Daniel Jarry	Madeline Jarry
8/17/00	Nashua, NH	Jeffrey William Kiesewetter	Ronald Kiesewetter	Tammy Kiesewetter

Date	Place of Birth	Name of Child	Name of Father	Name of Mother
8/17/00	Nashua, NH	Mary Elizabeth North	Philip North	Giselle North
8/18/00	Manchester, NH	Caroline Kaiolohia Apiki	Stephen Apiki	Deborah Apiki
8/23/00	Nashua, NH	Ella Davis Lowenberg	Randy Lowenberg	Lara Lowenberg
8/24/00	Manchester, NH	Anna Elizabeth Quinlan	Lawrence Quinlan	Shannon Quinlan
8/30/00	Nashua, NH	Shirley Maryann Stanley	Esau Stanley	Michelle Stanley
8/31/00	Nashua, NH	Diana Burkinshaw Healy	Philip Healy	Lee-Ann Healy
8/31/00	Nashua, NH	Madisen Ann Bentzlin	Edward Bentzlin	Eileen Bentzlin
9/7/00	Nashua, NH	Constance Rose Nino	Anthony Nino	Debra Costa-Nino
8/8/00	Nashua, NH	Bryce Alon-Oscar Bourbeau	Marc Bourbeau	Dawne Bourbeau
9/9/00	Nashua, NH	Adam Paul Levesque	Paul Levesque	Michelle Levesque
9/9/00	Manchester, NH	Ryan Hale Dottery	Edwin Dottery	Elizabeth Dottery
9/14/00	Nashua, NH	Helen Marie St. Cyr	Robert St. Cyr	Dorothy St. Cyr
9/19/00	Manchester, NH	Lily Sheridan Batchelder	Peter Batchelder	Kimberly Batchelder
9/26/00	Nashua, NH	Michael Joseph Schwager	Brian Schwager	Reanna Schwager
9/27/00	Nashua, NH	Camden W'illiam Donovan	Todd Donovan	Nicole Donovan
927/00	Nashua, NH	Emily Jane Pelkey	Timothy Pelkey	Wendy Pelkey
9/28/00	Nashua, NH	Sean McCormack-Kuhman	David Kuhman	Virginia McCormack
9/28/00	Peterborough, NH	Joshua Kobe Smith	Joshua Smith	Carrie Everard
10/2/00	Nashua, NH	Autumn Rylee Donaldson	James Donaldson	Mol;y Donaldson
10/7/00	Manchester, NH	John Christopher Howard	John Howard	Cheryl Howard
10/10/00	Concord, MA	Alistair Gareth Mayo	Todd Mayo	Madeleine Blanz-Mayo
10/11/00	Manchester, NH	David Lawrence Moss	Raymond Moss	Marlene Moss
10/11/00	Nashua, NH	Maeve Anna Sherwood	Norman Sherwood	Melissa Sherwood
10/14/00	Nashua, NH	Julian Cross Whittier	Kenneth Whittier	Paula Whittier
10/15/00	Amherst, NH	Max William Cretsinger	David Cretsinger	Jennifer Cretsinger
10/20/00	Boston, MA	Stephanie Aidan Fagan	Sean Fagan	Anissa Fagan
10/20/00	Manchester, NH	Lesley Anne Cote	Paul Cote	Racquel Cote
10/26/00	Manchester, NH	Timothy Edward Zumbo	Frank Zumbo	Kimberly Zumbo
11/8/00	Nashua, NH	Victoria Farrington	John Farrington	Katherine Farrington
11/16/00	Manchester, NH	Dylan Christopher Anderson	Christopher Anderson	Susan Anderson
11/17/00	Nashua, NH	Miranda Rose Lau Quan	Dominic Lau Quan	Melody Lau Quan
11/17/00	Nashua, NH	Jacob Paul Grassett	Kevin Grassett	Melanie Grassett
11/19/00	Nashua, NH	Emily Cecile Fallon	Thomas Fallon	Donna Fallon
11/20/00	Nashua, NH	James Caleb Clabo	Ronald Clabo	Carolyn Clabo
11/21/00	Manchester, NH	Jeanmarie Whitney Leighton	James Leighton	Carolyn Leighton

Date	Place of Birth	Name of Child	Name of Father	Name of Mother
11/22/00	Nashua, NH	Megan Elizabeth McCoy	Donald McCoy	Melanie McCoy
11/23/00	Manchester, NH	Isabell Grace Plotsker	Vadim Plotsker	Colleen Plotsker
11/30/00	Nashua, NH	Alexis Brianna Weisberg	David Weisberg	Jessica Weisberg
12/2/00	Manchester, NH	Lila Breck Morgan	Christopher Morgan	Mary Morgan
12/6/00	Manchester, NH	Sloan Denise Facques	Michael Facques	Cara Facques
12/8/00	Nashua, NH	Tyler Cates Hall	Brian Hall	Sherry Hall
12/12/00	Nashua, NH	Matthew Ryan Lombardo	Brian Lombardo	Carolyn Lombardo
12/13/00	Nashua, NH	Ryan James Parker	Thomas Parker	Kristi Parker
12/16/00	Nashua, NH	Joshua James Lacaillade	James Lacaillade	Shelley Lacaillade
12/16/00	Manchester, NH	Benjamin Riley Kolar	Matthew Kolar	Bonnie Kolar
12/23/00	Nashua, NH	Shea Elizabeth Waterhouse	Ross Waterhouse	Donna Waterhouse
12/25/00	Manchester, NH	John Matthew Natale	Ralph Natale	Amy Natale
12/28/00	Nashua, NH	Jaclyn Louise Donohue	James Donohue	Jody Donohue
12/31/00	Nashua, NH	Hunter Frederick Raudelunas	Christian Raudelunas	Jennifer Raudelunas

MARRIAGES REGISTERED IN THE TOWN OF AMHERST
FOR THE YEAR ENDING DECEMBER 31, 2000

Date	Place	Name of Bride & Her Residence	Name of Groom & His Residence
1/1/00	Merrimack	Donna R. Upson, Amherst	Michael D. Berube, Merrimmack
2/12/00	Merrimack	Annemarie Durkee, Amherst	Brian C. Novak, Lancaster, MA
3/25/00	Amherst	Constance M. Adams, Amherst	Paul S. Cotter, Amherst
4/8/00	Nashua	Jenne R. Malin, Amherst	Robert W. Shepard, Greenville
4/16/00	Amherst	Bonnie R. LaFlamme, Amherst	Mathews. S. Kolar, Milford
5/6/00	Amherst	Nancy H. Wilson, Nashua	Robert C. Wilson, Amherst
5/6/00	Amherst	Gail R. Beard, Amherst	Richard P. Morrison, Amherst
5/13/00	Merrimack	Sarah M. Smith, Milford	Landon R. Clouse, Amherst
5/20/00	Hollis	Lynda M. Desroches, Amherst	Kevin D. Abbot, Amherst
5/27/00	Amherst	Elizabeth A. Farr, Amherst	Sean A. MacIntire, Amherst
5/27/00	Amherst	Melissa M. Brown, Amherst	Michael D. Lynch, Phoenix, AZ
6/17/00	Rye	Michelle M. Gibeault, Rutland, VT	Benjamin M. Myler, Amherst
7/1/00	Milford	Christine C. Cushing, Londonderry	Michael W. Marra, Amherst
7/8/00	Amherst	Karen E. Reed, Amherst	Richard K. Handy, Amherst
7/15/00	Hollis	Deborah E. Seavey, Amherst	Brett E. Prince, Sandwich, MA
7/24/00	Hampton	Claire C. Casey, Brockton, MA	Douglas J. Hastbacka, Amherst
8/12/00	Amherst	Kimberly A. Civiello, Amherst	Daniel H. Wyborney, Amherst
8/12/00	Milford	Christine L. Santos, Amherst	Kenneth S. Heaton, Amherst
8/22/00	Nashua	Melissa Vachon, Amherst	Alain M. Pomerleau, Amherst
8/26/00	Jackson	Victoria A. Lambert, Amherst	Aaron A. Demaio, Vernon, Ct.
8/26/00	Merrimack	Dorothy L. Welch, Amherst	Clayton G. Todd, Merrimack
9/16/00	Hollis	Mimi K. Tam, Amherst	Thomas R. Hall, Beverly, MA
9/16/00	Milford	Victoria M. Hoppe, Amherst	Ronald A. Bouchard, Nashua
9/22/00	Bedford	Kristina E. Majeski, Amherst	Alan C. Weeden, Amherst
9/23/00	Derry	Kristen S. Belzil, Amherst	James E. Innes, Amherst
9/23/00	Merrimack	Kathleen S. Lyons, Amherst	Daniel P. Labonville, Amherst
9/23/00	Sandwich	Samantha B. Woodbury, Amherst	Thomas P. Dearborn, Amherst
9/23/00	Westmoreland	Elizabeth R. Longsjo, Westmoreland	Marc A. Winnecki, Amherst
9/30/00	Milford	Jessica C. Mendolusky, Amherst	Scott J. Swanburg, Wilton
9/30/00	Nashua	Jill J. Potempa, Amherst	John P. Harrington, Amherst
10/28/00	Amherst	Leslie E. Anderson, Amherst	John T. Hopwood, Amherst

Date	Place	Name of Bride & Her Residence	Name of Groom & His Residence
10/28/00	Milford	Joelle A. Merrill, Amherst	Joseph J. Dattis, Sherwsbury, MA
11/4/00	Nashua	Beth A. Mazzola, Lawrence, MA	Joseph L. Civello, Amherst
11/20/00	Nashua	May F. Sapico, Nashua	Regino O. Erilla, Amherst
11/24/00	Nashua	Lisa M. Chabot, Amherst	Sean B. Campbell, Manchester
12/31/00	Bedford	Andrea J. Cobin, Amherst	Stephen E. Ford, Amherst

DEATHS REGISTERED IN THE TOWN OF AMHERST
FOR THE YEAR ENDING DECEMBER 31, 2000

Date	Place of Death	Name of Deceased	Name of Father	Name of Mother
1/11/00	Manchester, NH	James F. Penney	Cyril Penney	Ruth Dodge
1/28/00	Amherst, NH	Mary Lu Chamberlain	Hibbert Miles	Elizabeth Richardson
2/5/00	Amherst, NH	Joann Michie	Jewell Landry	Laura Gingras
3/9/00	Amherst, NH	Sarah A. Moore	Gerald Moore	Mary Blankenship
4/3/00	Nashua, NH	Rita M. Clark	James Dunn	Julia Larock
4/9/00	Amherst, NH	Jeffrey F. Shoerner	Rudolf Schoerner	Lois Ford
4/16/00	Amherst, NH	George F. Baltusis	George Baltusis	Josephine Terelak
4/24/00	Nashua, NH	Elizabeth A. Clouse	William Cripe	Dora Swihart
4/25/00	Amherst, NH	Richard R. Heineke	Hilton Heineke	Emily West
5/5/00	Peterborough, NH	Mary C. McKuskie	Charles Laedke	Catherine Titus
5/17/00	Manchester, NH	Maurice J. Williams	Maurice Williams	Edna Hoague
5/19/00	Amherst, NH	Carl A. Wheeler	Howard Wheeler	Frances Beverstock
5/25/00	Nashua, NH	William E. Balcom, Jr.	William Balcom, Sr.	Alice Shattuck
5/1/00	Nashua, NH	John W. Kenne	John Kenne	Eloise Vessey
6/2/00	Amherst, NH	Sharon L. Harrison	Wayne Goddard	Ruth Terry
6/4/00	Amherst, NH	Dorothy L. Bezio	Parfait Levesque	Roseanna Maynard
6/4/00	Milford, NH	Mackenzie J. MacGilvra	Kent MacGilvra	Teresa Basting
6/8/00	Concord, NH	Jean F. Obey	James Beairsto	Barabra Boehme
6/11/00	Amherst, NH	Ruth W. Donovan	Charles Hall	Clare Wright
6/13/00	Amherst, NH	Mary C. Buckley	Eugene Carr	Olive Moriarty
6/19/00	Nashua, NH	Douglas W. Gordon	Robert Gordon	June Martin
6/22/00	Manchester, NH	Frank E. Beede	Charles Beede	Lula Sanborn
6/26/00	Merrimack, NH	James R. Kerekes	Stephen Kerekes	Roberta Kerekes
7/21/00	Amherst, NH	Lorraine M. Henry	Ernest Delp	Mabel Stephens
7/23/00	Milford, NH	Tony Belmont	Stephen Belmonte	Camella Boccique
8/1/00	Manchester, NH	Robert B. Keller	Robert Keller	Hazel Strang
8/4/00	Nashua	Colin I. Falla	George Falla	Virginia Wilcox
8/5/00	Manchester, NH	Ethel Brickett	Thomas Brushett	Rachel - Unknown
9/4/00	Madison, NH	Kevin Keller	Jack Keller	Madonna Wilkinson
9/7/00	Nashua, NH	Ernest J. Laviolette	Joseph Laviolette	Susan Mailette
9/9/00	Amherst, NH	Kenneth S. Andersen	Sfend Andersen	Judith Larson
9/15/00	Manchester, NH	Adelaide McKellar	William Kershaw	Adelaide Halkett

Date	Place of Death	Name of Deceased	Name of Father	Name of Mother
9/18/00	Manchester, NH	Charles A. Foote	William Foote	Kathryn O'Connell
9/21/00	Amherst, NH	Paul J. Caulfield	John Caulfield	Margaret Brady
9/23/00	Milford, NH	Alice M. Ackley	Walter Converse	E. Wentworth
9/23/00	Nashua, NH	Walter E. Schwartz	Paul Schwartz	Ida Kleeman
9/24/00	Milford, NH	Robert Bialkin	Samuel Bialkin	Lillian Kastner
9/26/00	Amherst, NH	Thomas Burk	Raymond Burke	Doris Clunan
9/27/00	Amherst, NH	Florence C. Oldakowski	Walter Wolongevicz	Brony Ucavich
10/2/00	Milford, NH	Jennie F. Gerry	Walter Chick	Blanche Corey
10/23/00	Nashua, NH	James E. Chandler	Harold Chandler	Blanche Chandler
10/26/00	Amherst, NH	Norman Briggs	William Briggs	Violet Milnes
11/9/00	Manchester, NH	George Rushanna	George Rushanna	Anna Haluska
11/9/00	Milford, NH	Donald A. Mack	Lloyd Mack	Emma Reynolds
12/2/00	Amherst, NH	Irene C. Balmer	Charles Fisher	Mollie Givler
12/22/00	Manchester, NH	Robert D. Irion	Norman Irion	Mae McMullen
12/23/00	Amherst, NH	Joanne Edmonds	John Castlevetro	Darmel Dibiaso
12/25/00	Amherst, NH	Francis G. Connolly	Frances Connolly	Beatrice Hamley

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